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Dear Ms. Lear, Mr. Kharatyan, Ms. McCaie, Ms. Osmond, Mr. Frenette:

RE: NPC File # 148936 [Modification to Winter Road Locations]

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

- 1. Continuation of works already approved.**
- 2. Modifications to the original/amended project proposal: winter roads to be built up to 7km away from their previous locations, but with same beginning and end points.**
- 3. Location: Kivalliq Region; [Whale Cove Area Winter Access Roads]**

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal (conformity determinations 148281, 148647, and 148849 issued June 1 2016, November 22 2017, and July 31 2018 respectively), which still apply. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board, including files 16EN035 and 17EA068, issued August 24 2016 and March 23 2018 respectively. NIRB checked 17EA068 again July 31 2018 in response to NPC conformity 148849, with a continued decision not to undertake a review.

148936 conforms to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, G, and H of the KRLUP P.

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The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that a minor revision to the routing of a temporary winter access road does not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

<http://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148936&sessionid=>

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA) to implement any of the applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the NUPPAA.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 857-2242.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Peter Scholz', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Peter Scholz
Senior Planner,
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