

July 31, 2012

Zinifex Canada Inc. 201-750 West Pender St. Vancouver, BC V6C 2T7

Via email: <u>klewis@elginmining.com</u>

Re: <u>Application Pending Referral from an Authorizing Agency for Zinifex Canada</u> <u>Inc.'s "Ulu Exploration" Project Proposal</u>

Dear Karyn Lewis:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Zinifex Canada Inc.'s (Proponent) "Ulu Exploration" project proposal from the Proponent on July 18, 2012. The project proposal submission included the following documents:

NWB Amendment Application

The NIRB conducts screening (environmental impact assessment) of project proposals upon referral from Government departments/agencies and Regional Inuit Associations responsible for authorizing the proposed project works or activities. Please be advised that it is the Proponent's responsibility to apply for all authorizations and approvals required to carry out the proposed project works or activities.

Once the NIRB receives a referral from an authorizing agency, the Board will screen the project proposal in accordance with Article 12, Part 4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement and will report to the Government Minister(s) responsible for authorizing the project.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Derek Ehaloak, Environmental Administrator, at 867-983-4610 or via email at info@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

Derek Ehaloak

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Environmental Administrator Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Phyllis Beaulieu, NWB