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Dear Cassel Kapolak, Richard Dwyer, Jesse Ajayi, Tracey McCaie, Jared Ottenhof, , and Samuel Robb:

RE: NPC File No: 150217 [Somerset Trough Project]

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

Summary of Activities: Bronzite Exploration Corp. is proposing to undertake an early exploration program that will include the following activities:

- airborne and ground-based geophysical surveys, prospecting, sampling, and geological mapping. The program will be based out of an exploration camp constructed on Crown Land in the Western Somerset Island Watershed and will include a spring program to be conducted March to May, as well as a summer program to be conducted from July to early September.
- Use of hand tools and a power saw to complete ground-based tasks.
- Helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft will be used to transport personnel to and from field locations and to collect airborne geophysical data. Drones may also be used to collect airborne survey data.
- Establishment of Exploration Camp for an estimated 1680 person/days.

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- Fuel caching of up to 180,000L.

Location: Qikiqtani Region; [approximately 130 km South of Resolute Bay, 290 km west of Arctic Bay]

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. It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, H, and I of the NBRLUP.

The project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Agreement.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the NIRB for screening. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:
<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=150217&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) 447-4563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'SA', with a horizontal line extending from the 'A'.

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