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Dear Richard Dwyer, Tracey McCaie, Jared Ottenhof, Cassel Kapolak, Wynter Kuliktana, Carson Gillis, and Samuel Robb:

# RE: NPC File No. 150668 [Somerset Trough Project]

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

- 1. RENEWAL of NWB Approval Without a Licence 2WLC-STP2425 for the continuation of associated mineral exploration activities.
- 2. Associated NPC File No.: 150217; Associated NIRB File No.: 24EN005
- 3. Related NPC File No.: 150418 (Conformity determination issued 24 May 2024)
- 4. Location: Qikiqtani and Kitikmeot Regions; [Somerset Island, camp located 315 km north of Taloyoak]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) can be accessed online using the link below.

The NPC has completed its review of the above-noted project proposal. The works and activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by the NPC, including mineral exploration activities, and a conformity determination was issued on 30 January 2024 which still applies. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB File No. 24EN005).

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because the NPC is of the understanding that it does not change the general scope of the original 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: <a href="https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry/aspx?appid=150668">https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry/aspx?appid=150668</a>.

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) 979-3444.

Sincerely,

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**Nunavut Planning Commission**