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Re: Additional Information Required: Information Request # 1 for the Government of Nunavut - Community and Government Services' "Water Licence 3BM-IGL1520 Amendment #2 Hamlet of Igloolik" Project Proposal

Dear Bhabesh Roy:

On March 1, 2016 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received the Government of Nunavut – Community and Government Services' (GN-CGS) "Water Licence 3BM-IGL1520 Amendment #2 Hamlet of Igloolik" project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission). Due to the proposal containing activities that were sufficiently related to previously assessed activities under NIRB file number 15UN040, the NIRB has assigned the amendment file to this previous file number - please reference this file number in all future related correspondence.

Documents and materials received by the NIRB in support this project proposal include:

- NPC Screening Referral
- NIRB Part 1 Summary Form in English
- NIRB Part 2 Form Project Specific Information Requirements
- Non-technical Project Proposal summary in English and Inuktitut
- Design Brief
- *Fish Lake Hydrology Study*
- Igloolik Reservoir Sketch South Lake
- Maps noting proposed project location

All information provided to the NIRB in support of this project proposal can be accessed from the Board's online public registry at the following locations http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/2015/15UN040-Hamlet%20of%20Igloolik-Sewage%20Lagoon%20Type%20B/ and http://www.nirb.ca/application?strP=r.

The NIRB has undertaken a preliminary completeness check of your project proposal and has found that *additional* information is required for the NIRB to carry out its screening. The NIRB is requesting submission of the information as outlined in <u>Appendix A</u> of this correspondence by **March 30, 2016**.

It is in the GN-CGS' best interest to cure the identified information deficiencies in a timely manner. Pursuant to paragraph 92(3)(b) of *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA), the ability of the Board to conduct its screening and provide a screening decision report to the responsible Minister(s) within the prescribed timeline may be directly impacted by any outstanding required information. Failure to address the deficiencies before the NIRB resumes the screening process may result in a suspension of the Board's assessment activities pursuant to Section 144(2) of the NuPPAA until the information is provided.

If the GN-CGS determines that the time required to supply the required information is significantly greater than 2 weeks, the Board requests written notification and an anticipated date for submission be provided as soon as possible.

Please direct all forthcoming project proposal information through the NIRB's online public registry at http://www.nirb.ca. For additional instructions regarding the new project application portal, please contact NIRB administration at info@nirb.ca or at 1-866-233-3033.

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at (867) 983-4606 or hrsmussen@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: Appendix A: Information Request # 1

Enclosures: NIRB Part 1 Form Project Proposal Information Requirements in English and Inuktitut

Appendix A: Information Request #1

for the Government of Nunavut – Community and Government Services' (GN-CGS)
"Water Licence 3BM-IGL1520 Amendment #2 Hamlet of Igloolik" project proposal
pursuant to Section 144(1) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*NIRB File No. 15UN040

1. Topic/Issue: Definition of Regulatory Authority associated with the proposed project pursuant to NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form and Activities Tab of the Public Registry

Reference: Section 2 of the NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form must be completed: Authorization Needed for the project

Rationale: Information is required on authorization(s) to determine the Responsible Minister who has the jurisdictional responsibility for authorizing a project to proceed.

Request: Provide list of Regulatory Authorities associated with the proposed project and all authorizations, permits, and licences applied for and/or associated with the proposed project.

2. Topic/Issue: NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in Inuktitut not submitted

Reference: NIRB Guide 3: Guide to Filing of Project Proposals and Screening Process **Rationale:** Translated versions of the NIRB Part 1 form are required in order to assist unilingual community organizations and members of the public to understand and provide comments on the proposal.

Request: Submit completed NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Forms in Inuktitut pursuant to the NIRB project application requirements.

3. Topic/Issue: Project Map not complete

Reference: NIRB Part 1 Form – Section 3, 8a

Rationale: Accurate and complete information regarding the location of the proposed project is required for the screening of this application.

Request: Provide a map of all proposed components, activities and locations.

4. Topic/Issue: NIRB Part 2 Project Specific Information Requirements Form (PSIR) and Details Part 2 Tab of the Public Registry

Reference: Section 2 of the NIRB Part 2 Project Specific Information Requirements Form: General Project Information Requirements

Rationale: To properly scope and assess projects that are proposing more substantial undertakings, the NIRB requires proponents to provide information on the proposed activities and associated components, on the potential environmental and socio-economic impacts, and on the proposed mitigation and monitoring measures related to the proposal. There was a lack of detail on some of the proposed activities and components included within the referenced application materials.

Request: Provide detailed information related to the following as pertains to all proposed components, associated activities, and potential impacts and proposed mitigation measures:

• Fuel: Clarification on whether fuel transfer or storage is being proposed on-site (including both South and Fish lakes) and provide updated spill response plan;

- **Pipeline**: Clarification on pipeline diameter, color, and whether it would be suspended above-ground or located on the ground surface. Further clarification on whether pipeline would continue to transport water seasonally or be operated year-round;
- **Explosives**: Clarification on transportation, use, and storage of explosives material for proposed blasting activities. Provide proposed explosives management measures and applicable plans.
- **Excavated material:** Proposed transportation method and route, storage (including proposed measures to prevent sedimentation), and use of excavated material.
- Environmental management plans: Updated abandonment and restoration plans.
- Archaeological or paleontological value: Activities list on the public registry noted that the site has significant site archaeological or paleontological value. Please provide information on whether the Government of Nunavut Department of Culture and Heritage has been contacted, as well as results of any discussions, including an archaeological protection plan, if applicable.