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Dear Ms. Payette, Mr. Manzo, Ms. Beaulieu, Mr. Howell,

**Re: # [NWB 3BC-COA] Coats Island Research – Environment Canada**

The NPC has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. It conforms to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP), subject to the attached.

By this letter and additional enclosures, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to NIRB for screening.

The applicant has undertaken to comply with the attached requirements. The authorizing agencies to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement* to implement any of the attached requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

My office would be pleased to discuss with these agencies how best to implement these requirements and to review any draft authorizations that the agencies wish to provide for that purpose.

And, this conformity determination applies only to the above noted applications as submitted. Therefore, the proponent must ensure other applications for a permit under this project proposal not listed above are forwarded to NPC for a conformity determination against the KRELP, and notify the NPC immediately if any material to the project proposal is changed before authorizations are issued.

Sincerely,



Bobby Suhuk  
Regional Planning Co-ordinator, NPC

cc. Anthony Gaston, Environment Canada

Encl.

Application #: [NWB 3BC-COA] Coats Island Research – Environment Canada

**NUNAVUT PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**APPLICATION TO DETERMINE CONFORMITY**  
**WITH THE KEEWATIN REGIONAL LAND USE PLAN**

*All applicants for a project proposal shall comply with the requirements listed below. The relevant sections of the plan are noted in each requirement.*

**GENERAL**

2. **Environmental Protection:** s2.4.9: The applicant undertakes to prevent any new occurrences of pollution, garbage and contamination at the site of the development.

☒ Yes

No

3. **Removal of Fuel Drums:** s2.4.9: The applicant undertakes to remove all drums safely from the site and dispose of the drums in a safe manner.

☒ Yes

No

4. **New Site Restoration and Clean Up:** s2.4.15 and Appendix 2, s7: The applicant undertakes to clean up the site and restore the site to its natural condition to the greatest extent possible.

☒ Yes

No

6. **Low Level Air Flights:** s5.4.4 and Appendix 2, s3: Will the applicant avoid low-level flights?

☒ Yes

No

- i. If not, explain why such flights are or may be absolutely necessary.

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- ii. If such flights are or may be absolutely necessary, will they avoid disturbance to people and wildlife?

Yes

No

- iii. If not, explain why it is not possible to avoid such disturbance.

## ARCHEOLOGY

9. Reporting of Archaeological Sites: s4.3 and Appendix 3, s2 and s8: Will the applicant immediately report the discovery of all suspected archaeological sites to the Department of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth (GN)?

Yes

No

## MINING

10. Mining Development: s3.4.4: Is the proposal for mining development?

Yes

No

If yes, include with the application a mine closure and restoration plan.

## SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

11. **Scientific Research: s6.4.2:** Does the project proposal involve scientific research?

Yes

No

If yes, will the applicant integrate all available and relevant local and traditional knowledge when conducting its research?

Yes

No

12. **Local Services and Local Employment: s6.4.3:** Will the applicant rely on local services and employment where possible?

Yes

No

i. Describe the services retained and people to be employed.

BEAR MONITOR / FIELD ASSISTANT  
LOCAL BOAT CHARTER

ii. If no, explain why it is not possible.

13. **Communication on Scientific Research: s6.4.4:** Will the applicant communicate with communities in language that is clear, non-technical, in Inuktitut and English and communicate to the affected communities the results of all scientific research?

Yes

No

14. **Consultation with Nunavut Research Institute: s6.4.5:** Has the applicant made all reasonable efforts to consult with the Nunavut Research Institute about research that would benefit or interest local residents?

Yes

No

i. Describe the results of your consultation.

CONSULTATIONS OVER PAST 3 DECADES  
WE PROVIDE INFORMATION ON CARIBOU  
AND ON WILDLIFE DISEASE OUTBREAKS  
- REQUESTED BY LOCAL COMMUNITY

ii. If no, explain why.

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### PARTICULAR AREAS

17. Southern Southampton Island and Coats Island: s3.4.5: Is the project proposal located, in whole or in part, in southern Southampton Island and Coats Island?

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, does the project proposal involve hydrocarbon exploration?

☐ Yes

☒ No

23. Code of Good Conduct for Land Users: Appendix 2: The applicant undertakes to adhere to the Code of Good Conduct at all times.

☒ Yes

☐ No

I, A.J. GASTON (name of applicant), certify that the information I have given in this application is true and correct and hereby make the above undertakings which form part of my application for a project proposal within the meaning of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement.

Date: 29/10/2008 Signature of Applicant: A.J. Gaston