

NIRB File No.: EX176

Associated NIRB File No.: 10YN030 NWB File No.: 3BC-HIS----

May 15, 2013

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Sent via email: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

Re: Application exempt from Screening pursuant to NLCA Schedule 12-1: University of Western Ontario's "Paleoenvironmental Reconstruction of the Haughton Impact Structure and Surrounding Terrains over the Past 39 Million Years" project proposal

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

On May 15, 2013 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received an application from Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for University of Western Ontario's "Paleoenvironmental Reconstruction of the Haughton Impact Structure and Surrounding Terrains over the Past 39 Million Years" project proposal. The NIRB has determined that this project proposal is exempt from screening pursuant to item 5 of Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), Types of Project Proposals Exempt from Screening:

NLCA Schedule 12-1 (5):

"Water uses that do not require a public hearing under Section 13.7.3".

As this project proposal is exempt from the requirement for Screening by the NIRB, authorizations associated with this proposal may be processed by your office. This application is associated with a project proposal which has been previously screened by the NIRB (NIRB File No. 10YN030), and the NIRB's Screening Decision Report may contain recommendations which are relevant to your organization, and to the issuance of any further authorizations associated with the project. A copy of the original April 29, 2013 Screening Decision Report has been enclosed for your review and can be accessed online from the NIRB's public registry using the following link:

http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/2010/10YN030-U%20Western%20Ontario%20-%20Gordon%20Osinski/

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at info@nirb.ca or (867) 983-4612.

Sincerely,

Natasha Lear

Environmental Administrator

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Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Gordon Osinski, University of Western Ontario

Brian Aglukark, Nunavut Planning Commission Christopher Tickner, Nunavut Planning Commission

Enclosed: NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 10YN030 (April 29, 2013)