

NOTICE OF INDICATION NIRB FILE NO.: 11YN054

AANDC File No.: N2011N031

February 20, 2012

Mosha Cote Manager, Research Liaison Nunavut Research Institute Iqaluit, NU

Via email: Mosha.Cote@arcticcollege.ca

Re: Notice of Indication for Canada – Nunavut Geoscience Office's "Hall Peninsula Integrated Geoscience Project" project proposal, NIRB File No. 11YN054

Dear Mosha Cote:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Dan Shewchuk, Minister of Nunavut Research Institute (NRI) for Canada – Nunavut Geoscience Office's "Hall Peninsula Integrated Geoscience Project" in the South Baffin Region.

The NIRB has assessed this project proposal for ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts taking into consideration the comments from relevant authorities and communities. Based on this assessment NIRB's indication to the Minister is in accordance with **12.4.4** (a) which states the following:

"The proposal may be processed without a review under Part 5 or 6; NIRB may recommend specific terms and conditions to be attached to any approval, reflecting the primary objectives set out in Section 12.2.5."

The enclosed NIRB Screening Decision for NIRB File No. 11YN054, signed on February 20, 2012 by Lucassie Arragutainaq at Yellowknife, NT has been issued to the NRI and is subject to the terms and conditions contained herein being imposed upon the Proponent.

The NIRB is aware of the NRI's authority to regulate the terms and conditions attached to the enclosed Screening Decision Report, and requests that the NRI send a hardcopy of the authorization with NIRB's file number referenced on the document to the NIRB office to

complete our files. In addition, the NIRB requests that copies of any subsequent inspection reports related to the subject project proposal be sent to the NIRB office.

Please contact Derek Ehaloak, NIRB Environmental Administrator at 867-983-4610 or info@nirb.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Derek Ehaloak

Environmental Administrator

cc: David Mate, Canada – Nunavut Geoscience Office

Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board

Jeff Mercer, AANDC

Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 11YN054)