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File No: NWB4DEV

March 17, 2003

Ms. Gladys Joudrey
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Nunavut Impact Review Board
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Subject: Mars Society – Mars Project – **Request for Screening** – New

The Nunavut Water Board received a new application on February 14, 2003 from Mars Society for water use and waste disposal associated with scientific research on Devon Island.

In accordance with S.11.5.10 of the *Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, this project proposal was first sent for review to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) for their review. As indicated in an email dated March 14, 2003 from NPC, this project was reviewed under DIAND file number N2003J0001 and conforms to the NBRLUP.

In accordance with Articles 12 and 13 of the *Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, this project shall be screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board to determine whether it has significant impact potential, and whether it requires review, before the application can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board.

The application documents are available through the internet on our ftp site at <ftp://ftp.nwb.yk.com> in the folder "NWB4DEV."

Please let our office know when we can expect your screening report so that we can set our deadlines accordingly.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Phyllis Beaulieu
A/Licensing Administrator

cc. Robert Zubrin, President, Mars Society