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Dear Mr. Howell,

**Re: INAC # 058H07002- Lease- Scientific Research Facility**

The NPC has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan.

Attached, for your files, is a copy of the list of conformity requirements to which the applicant has undertaken to comply to.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronnie Suluk".

Ronnie Suluk  
Regional Planner

Attachment

cc. Leslie Payette, NIRB  
Robert Zubrin, Mars Society

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**NUNAVUT PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**APPLICATION TO DETERMINE CONFORMITY**  
**WITH THE NORTH BAFFIN 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:** s3.3.11.8: 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:** s3.3.11.8: 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:** s3.3.11.1 and Appendix C, s1: The applicant undertakes to clean up the site and restore the site to its natural condition to the greatest extent possible.

☒ Yes

No

5. **Low-Level Air Flights:** Appendix C, s3: Will the applicant avoid all low-level flights?

☒ Yes

No

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

→ Except for run off flights to bring in and out crew and cargo.

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

☒ Yes☐ No

They will not disturb people because the island is uninhabited. They will not disturb wildlife because our landing strip is in an area with practically no wildlife.

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

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9. Polar Bear Denning Areas and Walrus Haul-outs: s3.1.8; Will the applicant keep its activities away from any polar bear denning area or walrus haul-out?

☒ Yes☐ No

## HERITAGE RESOURCES

10. Reporting of Archaeological Sites: s3.3.9.3 and Appendix C, 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

11. Carving Stone Deposits: Appendix C, s9. Will the applicant report any discoveries of carving stone deposits to the Qikiqtani Inuit Association?

☒ Yes☐ No

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**SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH**

17. **Scientific Research:** s3.3.7.3: Does the project proposal involve scientific research?

☒ Yes☐ No

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

☒ Yes☐ No

18. **Consultation with Nunavut Research Institute:** s3.3.7.5: Has the applicant consulted with the Nunavut Research Institute about research topics that would benefit or interest local residents?

☐ Yes☒ No

- i. Describe the results of your consultation.

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- ii. If no, explain why.

Because our research concerns  
Arctic Exploration.

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19. **Local Services and Local Employment:** s3.3.7.4: Will the applicant rely on local services and employment where possible?

☒ Yes☐ No

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

We will use logistics support from the community of Repulse Bay, including the South Camp Inn, the CO-OP & individuals hired to train our people in Arctic survival skills. We also use Ken Borak (a pilot) for other transport services.

**20. Communication on Scientific Research: s3.2.8 and s3.7.5:**

The applicant will, at minimum, translate a summary of its work into Inuktitut and communicate with communities using language that is clear and non-technical. The results of all scientific research shall be made available to the affected communities as soon as possible.

☒ Yes

☐ No

**22. Code of Good Conduct for Land Users: Appendix C:** The applicant undertakes to adhere to the code of Good Conduct at all times.

☒ Yes

☐ No

I, Robert Zubrin (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: Jan 18, 2007

Signature of Applicant

Robert Zubrin  
Robert Zubrin  
President  
Mars Society