



**NOTICE OF RELEASE OF SCREENING DECISION REPORT
NIRB FILE NO.: 25XN006**

NPC File No.: 150230

June 2nd, 2025

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Re: Notice of Release of Screening Decision Report for Community Support Division, Government of Nunavut's "Amendment to Municipality of Grise Fiord Water Licence 3BM-GRI2025" Project Proposal, Qikiqtaaluk Region

Dear Tracey McCaie:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB or Board) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Minister Margaret Nakashuk, Responsible for the Nunavut Arctic College for Community Support Division, Government of Nunavut's "Amendment of Municipality of Grise Fiord Water Licence 3BM-GRI2025" in the Qikiqtaaluk Region, dated June 2nd, 2025.

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, the Board has indicated to the responsible Minister that **a review of the project is not required** in accordance with s. 92(1)(a) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*). Accordingly, the NIRB awaits a response from the Minister.

In the absence of a response from the Minister, regulatory authorities should take note of s. 75(1)(e) of the *NuPPAA*, which provides: "A regulatory authority is not authorized to issue a licence, permit or other authorization in respect of a project if the responsible Minister has decided either that the project could be modified and an amended project submitted to the Commission or that it is not to

proceed.” Contravention of s. 75(1) of the *NuPPAA* will render a licence, permit or other authorization issued of no force or effect.

Please contact the undersigned at info@nirb.ca if you have any questions or require additional clarification.

Sincerely,

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Public Registry Coordinator
Nunavut Impact Review Board

Enclosure (1): NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 25XN006 (June 2nd, 2025)

cc: The Honourable Margaret Nakashuk, Minister Responsible for Nunavut Arctic College
The Honourable Rebecca Chartrand, P.C., MP, Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency
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