

NOTICE OF RELEASE OF SCREENING DECISION REPORT NIRB FILE NO.: 22WA044

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To: William Patch Director Planning and Lands Community and Government Services Government of Nunavut P.O. Box 272 Kugluktuk, NU X0B 0E0

Sent via email: wpatch@gov.nu.ca

Re: Notice of Release of Screening Decision Report for Government of Nunavut – Community and Government Services' "3BM-REP2126 Municipal Water Licence Amendment and Renewal" Project Proposal, Kivalliq Region

Dear Administrators:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB or Board) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Minister David Joanasie, Minister of Community and Government Services for Government of Nunavut – Community and Government Services' "3BM-REP2126 Municipal Water Licence Amendment and Renewal" in the Kivalliq Region, dated September 28, 2022.

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 (867) 983-4605 or <u>info@nirb.ca</u> if you have any questions or require additional clarification.

Sincerely,



Manager, Technical Administration Nunavut Impact Review Board

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Enclosure (1): NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 22WA044 (September 28, 2022)

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