



**NOTICE OF INDICATION
NIRB FILE NO.: 13UN006**

NWB File No.: 4AH-IHP----

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Via email: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

Re: Notice of Indication for Qulliq Energy Corporation's "Iqaluit Hydroelectric" Project Proposal, Qikiqtani Region, NIRB File No. 13UN006

Dear Phyllis Beaulieu:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Bernard Valcourt, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development for Qulliq Energy Corporation's "Iqaluit Hydroelectric" proposal (NIRB File No. 13UN006), located in the Qikiqtani Region of Nunavut.

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 NIRB's indication to the Minister is in accordance with Section 12.4.4(b) of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) which states the following:

“The proposal requires review under Part 5 or 6; NIRB shall identify particular issues or concerns which should be considered in such a review.”

The enclosed NIRB Screening Decision for NIRB File No. 13UN006, signed on April 29, 2013 by Elizabeth Copland at Arviat, NU has been issued to the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development.

As such, pursuant to Section 12.4.7 of the NLCA:

Where NIRB indicates to the Minister that a proposal requires review, the Minister shall:

- (a) where required, by law or otherwise, refer the proposal to the Minister of the Environment for review by a federal environmental assessment panel; such review shall include both socio-economic and ecosystemic impacts;
- (b) where a proposal is not to be reviewed by a federal environmental assessment panel, refer the proposal to NIRB for a review of the ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts in the Nunavut Settlement Area; or
- (c) where the proposal is not in the national or regional interest, inform the proponent that the proposal should be abandoned or modified and resubmitted to NIRB to be dealt with in accordance with Section 12.4.4.

Please contact Jaswir Dhillon, Technical Advisor, at (867) 983-4609 or jdhillon@nirb.ca if you have any questions or require clarification regarding this file.

Sincerely,



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Enclosed: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 13UN006)