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Delivered via Courier

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Acting Chairperson
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Dear Mr. Arragutainaq:

**RE: Draft Environmental Impact Statement Submission
Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project**

On behalf of the proponent, Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Joint Venture Ltd (BIPR JV), I am pleased to submit 15 hardcopies and DVDs of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project. The DEIS is prepared and submitted for review by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) in conformity with the guidelines issued December 2004.

This project is advanced by an Inuit proponent for the benefit and economic development of the Kitikmeot Region and Nunavut. The proponent, BIPR JV, is owned by Kitikmeot Corporation (50%) and Nuna Logistics Limited (50%). Kitikmeot Corporation is wholly owned by the Kitikmeot Inuit Association, a Designated Inuit Organization (DIO) under the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA); and Nuna Logistics Limited is owned in part (25.5%) by Kitikmeot Corporation, who directly and indirectly owns 62.5% of the Project.

The components of the Project are a shipping lane from the Eastern Arctic to Bathurst Inlet, a port and fuel storage depot on Bathurst Inlet with a camp and road transport terminal, and a 211 km all-season road to a small camp on Contwoyo Lake. The road will connect to the existing winter road on Contwoyo Lake to serve mines in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut. Barges will resupply Kitikmeot communities with fuel and bulk freight from the port in summer.

Everyone on the distribution list has been sent a DVD containing the complete DEIS and all supporting reports and documents. We expect that they will all have received it by January 4th, 2008.

The DEIS addresses the issues identified by NIRB in the guidelines. I look forward to working with your Board and staff, the residents of the Kitikmeot Region, and interested interveners to advance this project to the review of a Final Environmental Impact Statement as quickly as possible.

Yours truly,

BATHURST INLET PORT AND ROAD JOINT VENTURE LTD.

per:



W. Robert Gilroy
Project Manager
Vice President, Nuna Logistics Limited
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PLEASE NOTE:

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Inuinnaqtun translation of the Executive and Popular summaries has been delayed. The pages containing this translation, as well as a DVD of the complete Draft Environmental Impact Statement, will be forwarded to you as soon as possible for insertion into Volume I of this report.