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Connie Kapolak, Chairperson
c/o Craig J. Thomas, Secretary/Treasurer
Bathurst Road and Port Committee (BRPC)
Yellowknife, NT

Via email: burnsidehta@bathurstinlet.com

Re: BRPC Concerns

Dear Connie,

Thank you for your email to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) dated January 21, 2008 in which you presented concerns regarding the availability of Intervenor Funding and the ability of your committee to actively participate in the Part 5 review of the Bathurst Inlet Road and Port (BIPR) project.

As I discussed during a telephone conversation with your Committee's Secretary/Treasurer, Mr. Craig Thomas, the Board is not asking Parties to complete their own assessment of the BIPR Draft EIS submission for conformity with the NIRB's 2004 guidelines. Rather, Parties are being asked to notify the NIRB of any concerns regarding the Board's indication of the acceptability of the submission, as your correspondence has done.

The NIRB continues to actively work with the department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) to make Intervenor Funding available to qualified Parties for this review. The Board will be forwarding the revised funding applications to INAC once they have been received. In the meantime, the NIRB asks that your committee and other Parties copied with this correspondence continue to do your best to participate in this Part 5 Review. As mentioned in previous correspondence, to accommodate the time required to resolve the Intervenor Funding issue, it is the Board's intention to extend the duration of the technical review period accordingly.

The NIRB looks forward to receiving your revised Intervenor Funding submission by **January 28, 2008**. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at 867-983-4608 or via email rbarry@nirb.ca

Sincerely,

Ryan Barry
Technical Advisor, NIRB

Cc: BIPR Distribution List