



**NIRB File No. 03UN114**

August 7, 2008

To: BIPR Distribution List

Re: Request for Comments on Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Joint Venture Ltd.'s Request to Suspend the Technical Review of the DEIS

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Dear Parties,

On August 1, 2008 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received a request from the Bathurst Inlet Port and Road (BIPR) Joint Venture Ltd. (Proponent) to suspend the technical review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the BIPR project in order to review the project's schedule, including the schedules of potential users in 2009.

The NIRB requests comments from Parties on the Proponent's request (attached), including comments on any conditions relevant to a suspension of the technical review. Please submit comments directly to the NIRB by **August 20, 2008**. Submissions should be addressed to Leslie Payette, NIRB Manager of Environmental Administration, via email: [lpayette@nirb.ca](mailto:lpayette@nirb.ca) or via fax: (867) 983-2594.

Best regards,

Jeff Rusk  
Director of Technical Services  
Nunavut Impact Review Board

Attachment: August 1, 2008 BIPR Ltr to NIRB Re Schedule of Review

August 1, 2008

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Dear Sir:

**Re: Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project - Technical Review, NIRB File No. 03UN114**

Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Joint Venture Ltd. has recently reviewed the overall schedule of its Project, including the schedules of its potential users. Given current circumstances, the Joint Venture requests that NIRB not initiate the technical review of the DEIS at this time. We believe that it would be prudent to suspend procedures and review the Project's schedule including the schedules of its potential users in 2009.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours truly,  
BATHURST INLET PORT AND ROAD JOINT VENTURE LTD.  
per:



Mervyn Hempenstall  
President  
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