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Mr. Grant Pearson
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Via email: grantp@nunalogistics.com

Re: **Request for an Update from Bathurst Inlet Port and Road (BIPR) Joint Venture Ltd. on the BIPR project**

Dear Mr. Pearson:

On November 25, 2008 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) granted a request from Bathurst Inlet Port and Road (BIPR) Joint Venture Ltd. (the Proponent) to suspend further technical review of the BIPR project proposal until the project's schedule and the schedule of its potential users could be reassessed by the Proponent in 2009. NIRB indicated in its response that a formal submission from the Proponent which addresses technical review comments and all outstanding Information Requests (IRs) would be a prerequisite for re-engaging NIRB's Part 5 Review process and subsequent scheduling of any Technical Meeting or Pre-Hearing Conference (PHC). The Proponent was also advised to consult with NIRB on the appropriate format of a response package prior to submission.

To ensure that NIRB and other parties participating in this public review have the ability to plan and allocate the necessary resources for an efficient re-engagement of the review process, an update on the current status of the BIPR project is necessary. Therefore, the Board respectfully requests the Proponent provide NIRB with a written update regarding the current status of the BIPR project, with an approximate timeline for submission of an IR Response package and re-engagement of the Part 5 Review process, at its earliest convenience.

Please send your correspondence to the attention of Leslie Payette, NIRB's Manager of Environmental Administration, at info@nirb.ca, or via fax at (867) 983-2594. If you have any

questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact Ryan Barry, NIRB's Technical Advisor, at rbarry@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



Jeff Rusk
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Nunavut Impact Review Board

Cc: Hon. Chuck Strahl, Minister of INAC
Robyn Abernathy-Gillis, INAC
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