



Craig J. Thomas  
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May 2, 2005

Dear Craig Thomas,

Thank you for your recent email regarding the article entitled *Kitikmeot looks to build a future in the 'Construction '05'* supplement to the April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005 News North paper. This article discussed the Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Project (BIPAR) and declared that "The Kitikmeot Corp. and its subsidiary Nuna Logistics, filed an environmental impact statement and are now awaiting a hearing with the Nunavut Impact Review Board".

To clarify, the Nunavut Impact Review Board issued Final Environmental Impact Statement Guidelines to the Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Joint Venture Limited (the Proponent) on December 6, 2004, pursuant to section 12.5.2 of the Nunavut Land Claim Agreement.

To date, the Nunavut Impact Review Board has **not** received an Environmental Impact Statement from the Proponent. The production of the Environmental Impact Statement for the BIPAR Project is now in the hands of the Proponent, and when the NIRB receives an Environmental Impact Statement the distribution list will be advised.

The NIRB hopes that this information provides clarification regarding the current process relating to the BIPAR project.

Sincerely,

[original signed by]

Stephanie Briscoe Gladys Joudrey

Cc: Distribution List NIRB File No: [insert]  
TO: Proponent AND TO: BIPAR-DISTRIBUTION LIST  
ADDRESS

October 20, 2004

**Re: Bathurst Inlet Port and Road (BIPAR) Community Consultation Process**

Dear Parties:

As you are aware, the above cited project is being reviewed by the Nunavut Impact Review Board ("NIRB"). An important part of the review process is community consultation by NIRB with interested parties and the public. ~~Further to the scoping of the BIPAR project .....[scoping was part of the consultation process]~~ As of Monday October 18, 2004 the consultation process has begun in various communities. Upcoming visits include:

- ☐ Interested parties in the community of Kugluktuk (November 1-5);
- ☐ Bathurst Inlet (November 6-8) including Bay Chimo residents (traveling via Charter flight courtesy of NIRB) ~~[delete: internal and don't want to set in writing a precedent or expectation that NIRB would have to do for every project]~~ and possibly some residents from Contwoyto Lake area; and
- ☐ Ongoing consultation with interested parties in Cambridge Bay. ~~[when and or what form?]~~

As time proceeds, we will be consulting with other affected communities. ~~The purpose of the aforementioned consultation visits are to provide~~ Please be advised that this consultation process ~~interested parties~~ includes general information about the BIPAR Project, to provide results of the scoping sessions and final report and to overview and obtain feedback on the next steps in NIRB's process which includes the development of Final Environment Impact Statement Guidelines, and any information relevant to the timeframe in which we are visiting. ~~[stick to current facts: recommend you not write forecasting probabilities etc]~~ For example, if we are visiting particular communities PRIOR to the establishment of the Final Guidelines, we will be discussing both the Project in general as well as the process of the creation of the Final Guidelines. Another example here? Similarly, if visit communities between the issuance of Final Guidelines and the submission of the draft EIS, we will be discussing the Project in general as well as preparing communities for the review of the draft EIS. ~~[delete red: deal with this in your next phase of consultation]~~ Every attempt will be made to visit all affected communities as often as budgetary restrictions allow for. ~~[internal delete no need for outside parties to be concerned with budgetary restrictions.]~~

As a continued reminder, we are still giving the NIRB draft guidelines are available to all interested persons and Parties for comment and can be obtained from the NIRB ftp site at: ~~[insert link address to ftp site]~~ or by contacting the NIRB head office. The Board requests that the opportunity to review the draft guidelines. Please provide your comments be submitted to the NIRB on or before November 12, 2004 at 5:00 pm. Final guidelines will be issued by NIRB on or before December 1, 2004. ~~[recommend delete this don't restrict yourself: if NIRB has already in written correspondence referred to establishing final guidelines by December 1 you're stuck with it. But if this has not been advertised recommend do not include. You could include a~~

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~~general statement that “NIRB will make every effort to finalize guidelines as soon as practical following the deadline for comments” or you simply say “following the consultation process for review of the Draft EIS guidelines NIRB will issue final guidelines to the proponent.” Leave out any reference to timelines.]~~

~~Should any parties require clarification or have questions with respect to NIRB community consultation please do not hesitate to contact [insert contact info for HC and HY].~~

~~Sincerely,~~

~~Stephanie Briseoe  
Executive Director~~

~~[should make reference to clause of A. 12 as they apply to letter should always do as a final check on any letter] or refer to approved guidelines where you can. If you are proposing an activity as result of guidance from a recommendation of a NIRB guideline make reference to the guideline in *italics*.]~~