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Re: Notice of Part 4 Screening for Nunami Stantec's "Access Road and Borrow Source at Repulse Bay" project proposal

Dear Nick Lawson:

On March 11, 2011 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Nunami Stantec's (Stantec or the Proponent) "Construction and Operation of an Access Road and Borrow Sources at Repulse Bay" project proposal from your office. On March 22, 2011 the NIRB issued correspondence to Stantec requesting a conformity determination from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) and a referral from an authorizing agency. On September 21, 2011 the Government of Nunavut, Community & Government Services (GN-CGS) referred the project proposal to the NIRB for screening. Furthermore, on September 27, 2011 the NPC confirmed that a conformity determination would not be required for this project proposal. The NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number **11XN048** – please refer to this number in all future file-related correspondence directed to the NIRB.

The proposed project is located within the municipal boundary of Repulse Bay, in the Kivalliq region. The program as proposed includes the construction of an all-weather access road approximately 8 kilometres (km) in length, and the development of 6 borrow sources (quarries) to be used for the extraction of granular resources in support of municipal road construction and other community projects. The program is proposed to take place from July to October 2011 and if further time is required for project completion, again from July through October 2012.

The proposed project activities include:

- Construction of approximately 8 km of an all-weather access road using the cut and fill method, including:
 - Use of heavy equipment such as dozer and loaders, haul/dump truck, grader, and pick-up truck;
 - Installation of 11 corrugated steel pipe culverts.
- Development and extraction of an estimated 10,000 to 225,000 cubic metres (m^3) of granular resources from 6 identified sites.

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from the NIRB's ftp site at http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/ACTIVE_SCREENINGS/11XN048-Nunami_Stantec-Repulse_Bay/ including:

- *NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in English*
- *NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in Inuktitut*
- *Maps*
- *NIRB Part 2- PSIR Form in English*
- *Executive Project Summary in English*
- *Road Design, Borrow Source Location, and Water-crossing Figures*
- *Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Statement of Conformity*
- *Spill Contingency Plan*
- *Dust Management Plan*
- *NPC Conformity Determination (Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan) on the Type B Nunavut Water Board (NWB) application*
- *Email from GN-CGS Re Screening Referral*
- *Email from AANDC Re No Authorization Required*

Pursuant to Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), the NIRB shall proceed to screen this project proposal. The NIRB may request additional information at any time during the process and further, will copy you on screening process related correspondence and upload related documents to the above ftp site for public access.

The NIRB is copying parties and municipalities potentially affected by Stantec's project proposal with this letter, and we invite interested parties to comment directly to the NIRB by **October 21, 2011**.

The NIRB would like parties to provide comments regarding:

- Whether the project proposal is likely to arouse significant public concern; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic effects; and if so, why;
- Whether the project is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (please provide any recommended mitigation measures); and
- Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

Please send your comments to the NIRB at info@nirb.ca or via fax at **(867) 983-2594**.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me directly at 867 983 4603 or tbolt@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures (2): Comment Forms (English and Inuktitut)