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By email <u>info@nirb.ca</u>

Dear Mr. Cote and Ms. Lear,

Re: NRI Assessing the impact of small, Canadian Arctic river flows to the freshwater budget of the Canadian Archipelago Alkire Dec 13 CD

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. It conforms to North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP) subject to the enclosed questionnaire.

The NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) for screening.

The applicant has undertaken to comply with the enclosed questionnaire requirements. The authorizing agency to which this letter is addressed is responsible under the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement* to implement the enclosed requirements by incorporating them directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorization issued. My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement these requirements and to review any draft authorization that any agency wishes to provide for that purpose.

This conformity determination applies only to the application as submitted. Therefore, the proponent must ensure other applications for a permit under this project proposal not listed above are forwarded to NPC for a conformity determination against the NBRLUP, and please notify the NPC immediately if any material change to the project proposal is made before authorizations are issued.

Yours Truly,

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Senior Planner

cc Matthew B. Alkire, Polar Science Centre (by email)

Encl.