

NOTICE OF INDICATION NIRB FILE NO.: 14YN011

April 25, 2014

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Sent via email: Mosha.Cote@arcticcollege.ca

Re: Notice of Indication for University of Colorado's "Formation and Preservation of Elemental Sulfur in Springs Relevant to Mars and Europa" Project Proposal, Oikiqtani Region, NIRB File No. 14YN011

Dear Mosha Cote:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Paul Quassa, Minister responsible for Nunavut Arctic College, for the University of Colorado's "Formation and Preservation of Elemental Sulfur in Springs Relevant to Mars and Europa" in the Qikiqtani Region.

The NIRB has assessed this project proposal for ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts taking into consideration the comments from relevant authorities and communities. Based on this assessment NIRB's indication to the Minister is in accordance with **12.4.4** (a) which states the following:

"The proposal may be processed without a review under Part 5 or 6; NIRB may recommend specific terms and conditions to be attached to any approval, reflecting the primary objectives set out in Section 12.2.5."

The enclosed NIRB Screening Decision for NIRB File No. 14YN011, signed on April 25, 2014 by Elizabeth Copland at Churchill, MB has been issued to Nunavut Research Institute (NRI) and is subject to the terms and conditions contained herein being imposed upon the Proponent.

The NIRB is aware of the NRI's authority to regulate the terms and conditions attached to the enclosed Screening Decision Report, and requests that the NRI send a hardcopy of the authorization with NIRB's file number referenced on the document to the NIRB office to

complete our files. In addition, the NIRB requests that copies of any subsequent inspection reports related to the subject project proposal be sent to the NIRB office.

Please contact Stephanie Taptuna, NIRB Environmental Administrator at 867-983-4610 or info@nirb.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Taptuna Environmental Administrator

cc: Alexis Templeton, University of Colorado

Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board Stephen Grasby, Geological Survey of Canada

Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 14YN011)