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**Re: Screening Decision for Polar Knowledge Canada's "Deployment of Environmental and Permafrost Monitoring Instrumentation in Greiner Lake Watershed, Cambridge Bay" Project Proposal, Kitikmeot Region**

Dear Mr. Paul Quassa:

On December 17, 2015 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received a referral to screen Polar Knowledge Canada's (the Proponent) "Deployment of Environmental and Permafrost Monitoring Instrumentation in Greiner Lake Watershed, Cambridge Bay" project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission).

Pursuant to section 86 of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA), the NIRB commenced screening this project proposal and assigned it file number 15YN032.

Following the assessment of all material information provided, the NIRB is recommending that a review of Polar Knowledge Canada's "Deployment of Environmental and Permafrost Monitoring Instrumentation in Greiner Lake Watershed, Cambridge Bay" project is not required pursuant to paragraph 92(1)(a) of the NuPPAA.

Pursuant to its discretion under paragraph 92(2)(a) of the NuPPAA, the NIRB has determined that specific terms and conditions are appropriate for this project.

Accordingly, the NIRB is issuing the attached Screening Decision Report dated February 19, 2016 to the responsible Minister(s). The Screening Decision Report provides, among other things, the regulatory framework, project overview and the NIRB assessment process, factors

relevant for the determining significance of impacts and recommended project-specific terms and conditions.

Please note that the project proposal will not be enclosed due to the size of the electronic document and the limited bandwidth. However, an electronic copy of the project proposal is accessible online from the NIRB's public registry at [www.nirb.ca](http://www.nirb.ca) or at the following location:

<http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/2015/>

We look forward to receiving a response from the responsible Minister. If you have any questions or require clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the NIRB's Director, Technical Services, Tara Arko at (867) 983-4611 or [tarko@nirb.ca](mailto:tarko@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



Elizabeth Copland, Chairperson  
Nunavut Impact Review Board

Enclosure: Screening Decision Report, NIRB File No.: 15YN032 (February 19, 2016)