

NOTICE OF INDICATION NIRB FILE NO.: 15YN006

April 24, 2015

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Sent via email: mosha.cote@arcticcollege.ca

Re: Notice of Indication for Natural Resources Canada "High Igneous Province Geological Study, Axel Heiberg and Ellesmere Island" Project Proposal, Qikiqtani (North Baffin) Region, 15YN006

Dear Mosha Cote:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Paul Quassa, Minister of Nunavut Arctic College (NRI) for Natural Resources Canada "High Igneous Province Geological Study, Axel Heiberg and Ellesmere Island" 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. 15YN006, signed on April 24, 2015 by Elizabeth Copland at Churchill, MB has been issued to 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 Natasha Lear, NIRB Environmental Administrator at (867) 983-4612 or info@nirb.ca if you have any questions or require additional clarification.

Sincerely,

Natasha Lear

Environmental Administrator

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cc: Keith Dewing, Geological Survey of Canada

Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board Joel Fortier, Qikiqtani Inuit Association

Tracey McCaie, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 15YN006).