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Dear Ms. Ohokannoak, Ms. Kharatyan, Mr. Cote, Dr. Peterson:

RE: NPC File # 148204 Investigation of Surface Minerals at an Old Mineral Exploration Site

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP), subject to the attached. The project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement.

By this letter and additional enclosures, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) for screening. Project materials are available at the following address:

http://npc.strata360.com/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148204&sessionid=

The applicant has undertaken to comply with the attached requirements. The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA) to implement any of the attached requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. If there is a significant modification to the project proposal, the proponent is required to re-submit the modified project proposal to the NPC. For reference, a significant modification may include:

- Any change to the location of the work or activity;
- Any change to the type of land use;
- Any change to the timing of the work or activity (e.g. seasonal changes);
- An increase or modification in a work or activity that, for example, requires changes to a land use permit from Class B to Class A or a water licence from Type B to Type A;
- Any change that disqualifies a project proposal from a previously applicable NIRB screening exemption provided in NLCA Schedule 12-1.

This list is non-exhaustive and is simply an example of what the NPC may consider to be "significant modifications" from a land use planning perspective.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the attached requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 983-4632.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Planning Commission