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Dr. Donald McLennan Polar Knowledge Canada 1710-360 Albert St. Ottawa, ON K1R 7X7

Sent via email: donald.mclennan@polar.gc.ca

Re: Additional Information Required: Information Request # 1 for Polar Knowledge Canada (POLAR)'s "POLAR Camp on Greiner Lake, Cambridge Bay" Project Proposal

Dear Dr. Donald McLennan:

On April 4, 2016 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received Polar Knowledge Canada's (POLAR) "POLAR Camp on Greiner Lake, Cambridge Bay" project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission). The NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number **16YN019** - please reference this file number in all future related correspondence.

Documents and materials received by the NIRB in support this project proposal include:

- NPC Screening Referral
- NPC Questionnaire and Conformity Determination
- Summary of Project Activities in English

All information provided to the NIRB in support of this project proposal can be accessed from the Board's online public registry at

http://ftp.nirb.ca/01-SCREENINGS/ACTIVE%20SCREENINGS/16YN019-Polar%20Knowledge-Camp%20on%20Grenier%20Lake/.

The NIRB has undertaken a preliminary completeness check of your project proposal and has found that *additional* information is required for the NIRB to carry out its screening. The NIRB is requesting submission of the information as outlined in <u>Appendix A</u> of this correspondence by <u>April 21, 2016</u>.

It is in POLAR's best interest to cure the identified information deficiencies in a timely manner. Pursuant to paragraph 92(3)(b) of *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA), the ability of the Board to conduct its screening and provide a screening decision report to the responsible Minister(s) within the prescribed timeline may be directly impacted by any outstanding required information. Failure to address the deficiencies before the NIRB resumes the screening process may result in a suspension of the Board's assessment activities pursuant to Section 144(2) of the NuPPAA until the information is provided.

If POLAR determines that the time required to supply the required information is significantly greater than 2 weeks, the Board requests written notification and an anticipated date for submission be provided as soon as possible.

Please submit all forthcoming project proposal information through the NIRB's online public registry at http://www.nirb.ca. For additional instructions regarding the new project application portal, please contact NIRB administration at info@nirb.ca or at 1-866-233-3033.

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at (867) 857-2052 or via email at sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: Appendix A: Information Request # 1

Enclosures (2): NIRB Part 1 Form (English and Inuinnaqtun)

Appendix A: Information Request # 1 for Polar Knowledge Canada's (POLAR) "POLAR Camp on Greiner Lake, Cambridge Bay"

pursuant to Section 144(1) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*NIRB File No. 16YN019

1. Topic/Issue: NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form in English and Inuinnaqtun

Reference: NIRB Guide 3: Guide to Filing of Project Proposals and Screening Process **Rationale:** The NIRB requires a complete NIRB Part 1 form in order to determine the scope of the project activities being proposed and to ensure sufficient information has been provided to commence screening. Translated versions of the NIRB Part 1 form are required in order to assist unilingual community organizations and members of the public to understand and provide comments on the proposal.

Request: Submit completed NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Forms in English and Inuinnaqtun pursuant to the NIRB project application requirements through the NIRB's online public registry.

Furthermore, provide detailed information on the scope of activities and specify any activities that would not be included at this time within the scope.

2. Topic/Issue: Non-technical Project Proposal Summary in English and Inuinnaqtun

Reference: Section 4 of NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form

Rationale: The NIRB requires that non-technical summaries be submitted by proponents in order to assist parties to understand and provide comments on project proposals. Translation copies of the non-technical summaries are required in order to assist unilingual community organizations and members to provide comments on project proposals.

Request: Submit non-technical summaries in English and Inuinnaqtun pursuant to Section 4 of the NIRB Part 1 Summary Application through the NIRB's online public registry.

3. Topic/Issue: Project Map

Reference: Section 3, Part 8 of the NIRB Part 1 Summary Application Form

Rationale: The NIRB requires a map of the project proposal and related activities to assist in the assessment of the project.

Request: Provide a map noting the proposed location of project activities in a 1:50,000 format, if available.