



**NOTICE OF RELEASE OF SCREENING DECISION REPORT  
NIRB FILE NO.: 17YN024**

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To: Mosha Cote  
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**Re: Notice of Release of Screening Decision Report for Polar Knowledge Canada's "LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) and Radar surveys of land and sea ice of the Cambridge Bay region for satellite validation and modeling: from Twin Otter aircraft platform in April 2017 (LIDAR Cambridge Bay)" Project Proposal, Kitikmeot Region, NIRB File No. 17YN024**

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Dear Mosha Cote:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Paul Quassa, Minister Responsible for Nunavut Arctic College for Polar Knowledge Canada's "LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) and Radar surveys of land and sea ice of the Cambridge Bay region for satellite validation and modeling: from Twin Otter aircraft platform in April 2017 (LIDAR Cambridge Bay)" in the Kitikmeot 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, the Board has indicated to the responsible Minister(s) that a review of the project is not required in accordance with paragraph 92(1)(a) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA). Accordingly, the NIRB awaits a response from the Minister.

In the absence of a response from the Minister, regulatory authorities should take note of paragraph 75(1)(e) of the *NuPPAA*, which provides: "A regulatory authority is not authorized to issue a licence, permit or other authorization in respect of a project if the responsible Minister has decided either that the project could be modified and an amended project submitted to the Commission or that it is not to proceed." Contravention of section 75(1) of the *NuPPAA* will render a licence, permit or other authorization issued of no force or effect.

Please contact Jenny Klengenberg, NIRB Environmental Administrator at (867) 983- 4261 or [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca) if you have any questions or require additional clarification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jenny Klengenberg', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jenny Klengenberg  
Environmental Administrator

cc: Donald McLennan, Polar Knowledge Canada  
Geoff Clarke, Kitikmeot Inuit Association

Enclosure: NIRB Screening Decision Report (NIRB File No.: 17YN024)