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Dear Lisa Pirie-Dominix, Mosha Cote, Calvin Ehaloak, Natalie D'Souza, Jared Ottenhof, and Mark Mallory

RE: NPC File # 151114 [Seabird monitoring at Prince Leopold Island, Nunavut]

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. **Primary Land Use:** Scientific Research
2. **Project summary description:** The collection of northern fulmar and thick-billed murre eggs at Prince Leopold Island (Akpaqarvik) to monitor marine contaminants, including industrial chemicals, oil and gas pollution, mercury, and plastics.
3. **Summary of modifications:** Dates are updated to the current year for one year. Personnel numbers, location and required licenses stay the same, but fieldwork will be shorter: a maximum of three days, with no camp, flying in and out from Resolute Bay. Activities are reduced: no bird catching or banding, only collecting eggs of two species (northern fulmar/qaqulluk and thick-billed murre/akpa) for analysis.
4. **Related NPC File No:** 148757, 149078, 150045; Related NIRB File No. 06YN015 and 06YN024
5. **Location:** Qikiqtani Region; [Prince Leopold Island]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by NPC, last conformity determination was issued on April 19, 2023, which still applies. In addition, the activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB File No.: 06YN015 and 06YN024). This project proposal is exempt from the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NUPPAA) under section 235 of that Act. The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that the currently proposed works do not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address: <https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=151114>

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Agreement to implement any of the applicable conformity requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable 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) 447-4563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'SA', with a horizontal line extending from the 'S'.

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Jurisdictional Note:

This conformity determination applies only to the components of the proposed project located within the Nunavut Settlement Area and under the Nunavut Planning Commission's statutory jurisdiction as defined in the Nunavut Agreement and the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA). Activities outside the NPC's jurisdiction remain subject to the review and regulatory processes of the relevant authorities. Proponents are responsible for identifying, contacting, and obtaining all required approvals from the appropriate regulators in every applicable jurisdiction to ensure compliance with all legislation, policies, and licensing requirements.