

## Canadian Arctic Resources Committee

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Dear Ms. Copland,

**RE: NIRB13EN027: Notice of Part 4 Screening for URU Metals Ltd.'s  
"Nueltin Lake Project" project proposal**

Thank you for the opportunity to answer the four questions about the above.

**Whether the project proposal is likely to arouse significant public concern; and if so, why;** There is traditional and historic opposition to Uranium mining in Nunavut today and in the pre division era of the Northwest Territories. For this reason there maybe an expectation that the Kiggavik Areva proposal will be rejected by the NIRB Part 5 review or perhaps as in the past through a court action.

**Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic effects; and if so, why;** Nunavut needs the economic benefits of resource development the question is how change will affect the land area required by caribou for migration, recuperation, calving and in turn local hunters ability to harvest for their families and the community.

**Whether the project is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (please provide any recommended mitigation measures);** Will the threshold for caribou vulnerability be affected when this request is considered in total with other mining exploration activities, mine site development and mine site mineral export. Sustainability of this project should be addressed through the requirements of Caribou Herd Management Plans.

**Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.** Trans-boundary issues with other users of the caribou herd.

Yours truly,



David Gladders, Executive Director  
CC: Canadian Arctic Resources Committee

