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**Re: Suspension of Assessment Activities for Government of Nunavut-Community and Government Services' "Hamlet of Rankin Inlet Type 'A' Water Licence: Amendment 2 Application" Project Proposal, Pursuant to NuPPAA Subsection 144(2)**

Dear Megan Lusty,

On June 19, 2016 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received the Government of Nunavut-Community and Government Services' (GN-CGS) "Hamlet of Rankin Inlet Type 'A' Water Licence: Amendment 2 Application" project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission and commenced screening the project proposal pursuant to section 86 of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA). Due to the proposal containing activities that were sufficiently related to previously assessed activities under NIRB file 13UN037, the NIRB viewed this project proposal as an amendment to the previously screened project and assigned this proposal the previous file number. Through the initial screening activities undertaken by the NIRB for this proposal, additional information was requested to address identified deficiencies as detailed through Information Requests #1 and #2 (enclosed for reference); as outlined in the Board's previous correspondence, this information is considered necessary to carry out the screening of the project.

To date, the Board has not received the requested information or notification regarding when the information will be made available. I note further that staff members from the NIRB have attempted to contact GN-CGS directly to discuss the outstanding information required to complete the screening of this project proposal via email on July 28; August 11 and 25; and September 8, 2016; and by phone on numerous occasions between July 28 and September 12, 2016. Consequently, the NIRB has determined that it is unable to complete the screening for the "Hamlet of Rankin Inlet Type 'A' Water Licence: Amendment 2 Application" project proposal at this time.

Pursuant to Section 144(2) of the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA), the Board is suspending its assessment activities for the screening of this project proposal until the requested information has been received by our office. Please be advised that the NuPPAA prohibits the carrying out of a project, in whole or in part, where the required assessment by the NIRB has not been completed; regulatory authorities are also not authorized to issue a licence, permit or other authorizations in respect of a project where the required assessment by the NIRB has not been completed

The Board further notes that if the Government of Nunavut-Community and Government Services (GN-CGS) has not provided the information required to support screening by the NIRB within three years from June 30, 2016, the assessment of the project will be terminated as per NuPPAA Section 144(3).

Should you have any questions regarding the suspension of this assessment or require clarification regarding how to address the outstanding information requirements for this file, please contact Kristina Benoit directly at (867) 983-4607 or at [kbenoit@nirb.ca](mailto:kbenoit@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

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Enclosures (2): Information Request #1 for the Government of Nunavut-Community and Government Services' "Hamlet of Rankin Inlet Type 'A' Water Licence: Amendment 2 Application" Project Proposal, June 30, 2016  
Information Request #2 for the Government of Nunavut-Community and Government Services' "Hamlet of Rankin Inlet Type 'A' Water Licence: Amendment 2 Application" Project Proposal, August 3, 2016