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Dear Ms. Ohokannoak, Mr. Kharatyan, Ms. McCaie, Mr. Ruediger, Ms. Osmond, Mr. Frenette, Ms. Turmel:

RE: NPC File # 148382 [Itivia Quarry Amendment to Meliadine Mine]

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted proposal to amend a previously approved project:

1. Utilize existing Itivia Quarry in the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet to supply aggregate for the Meliadine Mine project.
2. Build a bypass road to the quarry from the Hamlet.

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 proposed amendment. The filing history of this project is listed below:

1. Application date with NIRB: April 26, 2011, File Number: 11MN034
2. Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (positive conformity determination): June, 2011
3. NIRB Project Certificate 006 issued February 26, 2015.

4. NWB Water Licence: 2AM-MEL1631 issued April 1, 2016

All-weather road:

1. Application date with NIRB (11RN017): February 6, 2011
2. NPC Positive conformity decision: April 1, 2011
3. NIRB decision: 11RN017 included under NIRB file 11MN034.
4. NWB Water License: 2BW-MEL1525. Issued on June 9, 2015. In the process of being cancelled.

Meliadine Underground exploration:

1. Application date with NIRB: February 25, 2010, File Number: 10EA018
2. NPC: Conformity decision on March 8, 2010.
3. NWB Water License: 2BB-MEL1424. Issued June 22, 2014
4. NIRB: Screening Decision Report received on May 5, 2010. No review required under Part 5 or 6.

Pre-development or site preparation work (Meliadine Site):

1. NWB Water License: 8BC-MEL1516. Issued on September 5, 2016. In the process of being cancelled.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal.

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because of quarrying activities over and above those already considered. It conforms to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, G, and H of the KRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal requires screening by the NIRB under section 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement as amended because it is for a component or activity that was not part of the previously amended proposal and its inclusion is a significant modification of the project. By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the NIRB for screening. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

<http://npc.strata360.com/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148382&sessionid=>

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA) to implement any of the applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the NUPPAA.

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) 857-2242.

Sincerely,



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