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Via email to: [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca)

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Dear Mia Otokiak:

**RE: 16DN061 – Department of National Defence – NOREX 18 Project – NIRB  
Screening**

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) has reviewed the information submitted to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) regarding the above-mentioned proposed project and is submitting comments via email as requested by the NIRB. ECCC's specialist advice is provided based on our mandate, in the context of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, the pollution prevention provisions of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

The following comments are provided:

**Spill Contingency Plan**

The Spill Contingency Plan should provide a general list of substances that could potentially be spilled at the Project site(s). Personnel should be made aware of the properties of the products that they handle and have access to material safety data sheets (MSDS) and other sources of information.

The Spill Contingency Plans should also include locations of disposal sites approved to accept wastes and means of storage prior to disposal, and include a list of standard emergency equipment in the spill kits as well as their individual locations.

ECCC recommends that the Proponent update their Spill Contingency Plan accordingly.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867)669-4732 or Emily.Nichol@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

*[original signed by]*

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