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Via online registry

Andrea Omilgoitok
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Nunavut Impact Review Board
P.O. Box 1360
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Dear Ms. Omilgoitok

**RE: 17EN029 – North Country Gold Corporation – Gibson MacQuoid 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 screening. 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 comment is provided:

1. On figure 6.1 NCGC Spill Response Action Plan, in North Country Gold Corporation's (the Proponent) Spill Prevention and Response Plan, ECCC is as an organization to be contacted by the Project Manager in the event of spill.

ECCC reminds the Proponent that the NT-NU 24 hour Spill hotline should be contacted first by the Proponent, who will then involve ECCC Emergencies when appropriate.

ECCC recommends that the Proponent update figure 6.1 in the North Country Gold Corporation's Spill Prevention and Response Plan to reflect that the NT-NU 24 Spill hotline should be contacted in the event of a spill.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 669-4746 or Gabriel.Bernard-Lacaille@canada.ca.

Sincerely,

[original signed by]

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cc: Georgina Williston, Head, Environmental Assessment North (NT and NU)