

Owing to the delays encountered in satisfying the information requirements of the NIRB's screening process and the limited availability of the Board March 18-22, 2019,¹ the NIRB is unable to provide its written report for the screening of this project proposal within the 45 days as set out in the *NuPPAA*. The NIRB anticipates that the screening of this project proposal will be completed by **March 29, 2019**, at which time a screening decision report will be submitted to the responsible Minister for consideration; should any additional time be required to conclude the screening process, the NIRB commits to providing further updates as deemed appropriate.

If this request is approved, the NIRB understands that the Minister will notify the Proponent and the NIRB of the extension.

If you have any questions or require clarification regarding this request, please contact our office toll free at 1-866-233-3033.

Sincerely,



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¹ The members of the Nunavut Impact Review Board will be facilitating the Final Public Meeting for the Strategic Environmental Assessment in Baffin Bay/Davis Strait March 18-22, 2019 and, as a result, will be unavailable to participate in screening assessments during this time period.