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Dear Ms. Lear, Ms. Pirie-Dominix, and Mr. Weber:

**RE: NPC File # 149031 [Prince Leopold Island Migratory Bird Sanctuary Permit & Nirjutiqarvik NWA wildlife viewing permit]**

The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. Tourism activity: Multiyear application for touristic visits to Prince Leopold Island and Coburg Island for Wildlife viewing.
2. Associated NPC File No: 148140 & 148 468; and 148678; Associated NIRB File No: 09AN034.
3. Modifications to the original/amended project proposal: Addition of a new site on Coburg Island near Grise Fiord (Nirjutiqarvik NWA).
4. Location: Qikiqtani Region; [Prince Leopold Island Migratory Bird Sanctuary, and Nirjutiqarvik NWA wildlife Area].

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 project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal, including a visit to Prince Leopold

Island Migratory Bird Sanctuary (conformity determination issued on March 24, 2009, September 3, 2015 February 15, 2017, and January 11, 2018). In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 09AN034).

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because it includes a new location near Grise Fiord not included in previously reviewed proposals. It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, H, and I of the NBRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal requires screening by the NIRB under section 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Agreement as amended because it is for a component or activity that was not part of the original or 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://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149031&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) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



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