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Dear Mosha Cote, Richard Dwyer, Alexander Stubbing, Daniel Haney, Veronique D'Amours-Gauthier, Luis Manzo, Francis Emingak, Adam Borowiecki:

**RE: NPC File No: 149928 [Kivalliq Hydro-Fibre Link]**

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

1. Scientific Research: Renewal for the continuation baseline data collection for a future environmental assessment of the Kivalliq Hydro-Fibre Link (KHFL). Activities include migratory waterfowl and breeding bird survey, winter

aerial multi-species survey, fall aerial survey of caribou abundance near corridor, trail camera deployments, waterbody classifications field overview and fish species studies, Environmental DNA (eDNA), marine shipping traffic operations and their interactions with the marine aquatic and avian environment, Field Validation of Preliminary Mapping, Targeted Permafrost Drilling, vegetation characterization and observation as well as limited soil sampling to contribute baseline data collection, Inuit Qaujimagatuqangit collection to capture local and community knowledge inclusive ecological knowledge to support the characterization of baseline conditions, inventory of known archaeological and historical sites and future planning, and LiDAR imagery surveys.

2. The above-noted project proposal of baseline data collection does not include the actual transportation and/or communication corridor development.
3. Related NPC FILE No: 149542; Related NIRB FILE No. 21YN027.
4. Location: Kivalliq Region [various locations]

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 activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by NPC, and a conformity determination was issued on May 7, 2021, which still applies. In addition, the activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 21N27). This project proposal is exempt from the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NUPPAA) under section 235 of that Act. The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that it does not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149928&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) 979-2444.

Sincerely,



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