



NIRB File No.: 22TN039
NPC File No.: 149787

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Sent via email: ops@fkwarren.ca

Re: Notice of Screening for F.K. Warren Ltd.'s "ms Greg Mortimer Arctic Cruises 2022" Project Proposal

Dear Kate Smith:

On June 3, 2022, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received a referral to screen F.K. Warren Ltd.'s "ms Greg Mortimer Arctic Cruises 2022" project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission (Commission), with an accompanying positive conformity determination with the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan.

Pursuant to Article 12, Sections 12.4.1 and 12.4.4 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement)* and s. 87 of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*), the NIRB has commenced screening this project proposal and has assigned it file number **22TN039** - please reference this file number in all future related correspondence.

INFORMATION REQUEST

On June 3, 2022, the NIRB requested that the Proponent complete the online application form through the NIRB's public registry system and ensure, pursuant to s. 144(1) of the *NuPPAA*, that sufficient information is provided to determine the scope of the project activities being proposed and commence screening.

On June 28, 2022, the NIRB received the required information and commenced the screening pursuant to Part 3 of the *NuPPAA*.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Project Scope:

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be accessed from the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca/project/125717.

Project:	Ms Greg Mortimer Arctic Cruises 2022
Region:	Qikiqtani, Kitikmeot
Location:	Northwest Passage
Closest Community:	Qikiqtarjuaq, Clyde River, Pond Inlet, Arctic Bay, Resolute, Taloyoak, Gjoa Haven, Cambridge Bay
Summary of Project Description:	The Proponent intends to conduct a commercial tourism voyage on an expedition cruise vessel in 2022 and again in 2023
Project Proposed Timeline:	August 2022 to September 2022, and August 2023 to September 2023

According to the project proposal, the scope of the project includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Transit of the cruise vessel M/V *Greg Mortimer* from Greenland to Cambridge Bay and return to Greenland, including:
 - A total complement of 132 passengers and 109 crew, and
 - Passenger change in Cambridge Bay;
- Tourism including shore landings, community visits, and including visits to:
 - Qikiqtarjuaq,
 - Clyde River,
 - Pond Inlet,
 - Arctic Bay,
 - Resolute,
 - Taloyoak,
 - Gjoa Haven,
 - Cambridge Bay,
 - Ninginganiq National Wildlife Area,
 - Bylot Island Migratory Bird Sanctuary, and
 - Prince Leopold Island Migratory Bird Sanctuary;
- Transportation of passengers by zodiacs, including:
 - Transportation for shore landings, and
 - Zodiac sightseeing cruises;
- Kayaking tours for the passengers.

Inclusion or Exclusion of Scoping List

At this time, the NIRB has identified no additional works or activities in relation to the project proposal. As a result, the NIRB will proceed with screening the project based on the scope as described above.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

All documents received can be accessed from the NIRB's online public registry www.nirb.ca/project/125717 and include:

- *NPC Conformity Determination*
- *NPC Application*
- *NPC Questionnaire*
- *NIRB Application (Inuktitut, Inuinnaqtun, English, French)*
- *NIRB Revised Application (Inuktitut, Inuinnaqtun, English, French)*
- *Proposed Itinerary*
- *Project Description (Inuktitut, Inuinnaqtun, English, French)*
- *Map of Itinerary 1 & 2*

The NIRB will copy you on screening process related correspondence and upload related documents to the NIRB's online registry for public access. The NIRB may request additional information at any time during the process.

The NIRB is copying parties and municipalities potentially affected by F.K. Warren Ltd. project proposal with this letter, and we invite interested parties to comment directly to the NIRB by **July 19, 2022**.

The NIRB would like parties to provide comments regarding:

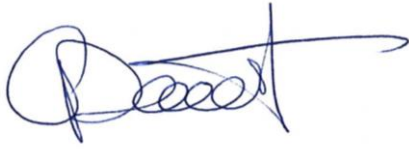
- Whether the project proposal is likely to arouse significant public concern; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse eco-systemic or socio-economic effects; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse impacts on wildlife habitat or Inuit harvest activities; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (and providing any recommended mitigation measures); and
- Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Please send your comments to the NIRB via email at info@nirb.ca, via fax at (867) 983-2594 or via the individual project dashboard for this assessment on the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca/project/125717.

If you have any questions or require clarification, feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 983-4609 or gdaoust@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

Enclosures (6): Public Notice of Screening (English, Inuktitut and Inuinnaqtun)
Comment Forms (English, Inuktitut and Inuinnaqtun)

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