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Victoria Burdett Coutts
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Sent via email: victoria@dynamicocean.ca

Re: Opportunity to address comments received regarding Dynamic Ocean Consulting's "Kinngait Field Program" project proposal

Dear Victoria Burdett Coutts:

On July 13, 2023, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received a referral to screen Dynamic Ocean Consulting's "Kinngait Field Program" project proposal from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission). On July 24, 2023, the NIRB circulated a public notice of the screening for this project, inviting interested parties to provide comments directly to the NIRB by August 3, 2023.

On or before August 3, 2023, the NIRB received comments from the following interested parties:

- *Crown – Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)*

All comment submissions received by the NIRB relating to this project proposal can be accessed from the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca/project/125840.

A *summary* of the public concerns reflected in the comment submissions relate to the following:

CIRNAC

- Recommends that the Proponent provides a description and an estimated total quantity of fuel that is anticipated to be used to support project activities, identifies other substances that will be used to support excavator activities, and outlines measures that will be used to manage potential equipment leaks in a manner that minimizes the introduction of contaminants into the marine environment;
- Recommends that the Proponent develops a response plan in the event of unexpected changes in beach conditions resulting from its project activities (e.g., enhanced sediment resuspension in water column). The plans include measures to restore the shoreline in areas of excavator operation to a pre-existing condition, to the extent possible, in a manner

that minimizes shoreline erosion and enhanced sedimentation into the receiving marine environment;

- Recommends the Proponent provides information about its waste management policy, highlighting measures that will minimize negative environmental impacts associated with waste disposal activities;
- Recommends that the Proponent continues to consult with relevant interested Inuit, hamlets and community organizations.

The NIRB would like to provide Dynamic Ocean Consulting with an opportunity to address the comments noted above prior to the Board rendering its determination for this screening assessment and issuing its subsequent Screening Decision Report to the responsible Minister. The NIRB respectfully requests that a response be provided directly to the NIRB by **August 22, 2023**.

If Dynamic Ocean Consulting determines that the time required to supply a written response is significantly greater than two (2) weeks, the Board requests written notification and an anticipated date for submission be provided as soon as possible.

Please send any forthcoming submissions directly to the NIRB at info@nirb.ca, or through the online public registry at www.nirb.ca.

If you have any questions or require additional clarification, please contact the undersigned directly at (867) 983-4622 or motokiak@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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