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Dear Lisa Pirie, Natalie D'Souza, Jared Ottenhof, Cassel Kapolak, and Charlie Nakushuk:

**RE: NPC File No. 150274 [Nanuit Itillinga NWA and Seymour Island (Naujavaat) MBS Management Activities]**

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

1. Scientific Research: Management activities for two protected areas in the high arctic.
  - a. Installation of remote cameras and autonomous acoustic recording units at each area to:
    - i. monitor biodiversity, more precisely estimate caribou abundance and specific area used by herd when crossing pass; and investigate insect abundance, wolf presence/absence, anthropogenic disturbance, and birdsong,
    - ii. improve capacity to detect presence of nesting ivory gulls.
  - b. Potential overnight stay at emergency cabin for maintenance, weather dependent.
2. Timing, Duration, & Personnel:
  - a. 3 days over period 1 June to 31 August 2024
  - b. 6 personnel for a total of 18 person-days
3. Location: Kitikmeot/Qikiqtani/Kivalliq Region; [Nanuit Itillinga National Wildlife Area and Seymour Island (Naujavaat) Migratory Bird Sanctuary]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) can be accessed online using the link below.

The NPC has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. 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 project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the *Nunavut Agreement*.

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:  
<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=150274>.

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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