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Dear Cassel Kapolak, Lisa Pirie, Christopher Gerlach, Natalie D'Souza, Caroline Whittle, Luis Manzo, Jared Ottenhof, Carson Gillis, and Kate Smith:

RE: **NPC File No. 150641 [Hanseatic Nature - Arctic Cruise 2025]**

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

1. Marine-based tourism activities:
 - a. Wildlife observation and National Wildlife Area access
2. Associated NPC File Nos.: 149152, 149817, 149973 and 150367; Associated NIRB File No.: N/A
3. Summary of proposed modifications:
 - a. Complete new itinerary in the Kivalliq Region:
 - i. Communities: Chesterfield Inlet, Rankin Inlet, and off coast of Whale Cove (no landing)
 - ii. Coats Island
 - iii. Marble Island
4. Location: Qikiqtani and Kivalliq Regions; [Iqaluit to Churchill, visiting various stops in Nunavik Marine Region and Nunavut Settlement Area]

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 and has determined that it is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan. The works and activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by the NPC, including marine-based tourism activities.

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because of the new itinerary and ports-of-call. 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 are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=150641>.

This decision 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.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



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