NOTICE OF SCREENING

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

NIRB File No.: 25UN029

Project Name:	The **"Isachsen High Arctic Weather Station Waste Fuel Reduction Program"** project	
Proponent Name:	Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)	
Project Type:	Other	Region: Qikiqtani Region
Public Registry:	www.nirb.ca	Application No.: 126171
Comment Deadline:	**May 30, 2025**	

PROJECT SCOPE:

The proposed "Isachsen High Arctic Weather Station Waste Fuel Reduction Program" project is located within the Qikiqtani region, at the Isachsen High Arctic Weather Station on the western shore of Ellef Ringnes Island in the Swerdrup Islands. As part of the initial step in the overall decommissioning and remediation work planned at the Isachsen High Arctic Weather Station, the Proponent intends to undertake incineration of waste fuel located at the site. The program is proposed to take place from June to August 2025. The scope of this proposed project as identified by the NIRB includes the following undertakings, works or activities:

- Incinerate up to 76,000 litres of waste fuel contained in storage tanks and hundreds of drums;
- Use of two (2) reconditioned forced-air incinerators to incinerate old diesel, jet fuels, kerosene and gasoline located in drums, and above ground storage tanks (AST);
- Removal of hazardous wastes off-site for proper disposal that cannot be incinerated (e.g., drums containing lead above guidelines for incineration);
- Use of seasonal work camp at the weather station.

Please visit the NIRB's public registry online at the link above and look up NIRB File No.: **25UN029** to access all project information, maps, and public comment forms.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

You are invited to provide the NIRB with your comments regarding whether the proposed project is:

- likely to arouse significant public concern and, if so, why;
- likely to cause significant adverse ecosystemic or socio-economic effects and, if so, why;
- likely to cause significant adverse impacts on wildlife habitat or Inuit harvest activities and, if so, why;
- a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and can be prevented/managed appropriately with known technology.

Parties are also invited to recommend any specific mitigation measures they feel would be appropriate, and to bring any other matter of importance related to this project proposal to the NIRB's attention.

CONTACT INFORMATION

The NIRB has recently launched an updated online public registry, and parties can access project information as well as submit comments directly to the NIRB via www.nirb.ca. Comments can still be submitted directly to the NIRB via email at info@nirb.ca or via fax to **(867) 983-2594**.

If you have any questions or require clarification regarding the proposed project or the NIRB's screening process, please contact Kelli Gillard, Manager, Impact Assessment toll-free at 1-866-233-3033 or kgillard@nirb.ca.