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Dear Cassel Kapolak, Jose Audet-Lecouffe, Transport Canada, NRCAN, Jared Ottenhof, and Justin McDonell:

RE: NPC File # 150698 [Qikiqtarjuaq Marine Infrastructure Project]

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

1. The Government of Nunavut is proposing to construct a deep-sea port facility in Qikiqtarjuaq, Nunavut. The footprint of the new deep-water port will fall partially within the upland, tidal zone, and seabed area along the shoreline of Broughton Channel, approximately one kilometre south of the Qikiqtarjuaq Airport.
 - The project is a coastal infrastructure project that consists of the construction and operation of a 75-metre (m) long closed face marginal wharf structure with 10 m depth at low tide, and 18,000 square metres (m²) of laydown space.
 - The project will also include an approximately 200m long access road from municipal roads to the facility, a crane to offload cargo, wastewater receiving systems, a VHF radio communications station, services to allow for freezer containers, an operations and security office, and power distribution.
 - Construction will involve land-based (e.g., site preparation, quarrying rock) and marine-based activities (e.g., marine construction, dredging material from the harbour bottom).
 - Dredged materials may be reused as fill during construction. Rock sourced from a new local quarry will be used during construction. Rock will be hauled from the quarry via existing hamlet roads.
2. Related NPC File Nos.: 149366; 150174; NIRB File No.: 24YN008
3. Location: Qikiqtaaluk Region; [Hamlet of Qikiqtarjuaq]

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

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has determined that this project proposal is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan. The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) previously screened the works and activities associated with the current proposal, including baseline studies (NIRB File No.: 24YN008).

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because it includes the construction of a deep seaport.

The above-noted project proposal requires screening by the NIRB under section 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Agreement as amended because it is for a component or activity that was not part of the original or previously amended proposal and its inclusion is a significant modification of the project.

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=150698>

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) 447-4563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'SA', with a horizontal line extending from the 'A'.

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