COMMENT FORM FOR NIRB SCREENINGS

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) has a mandate to protect the integrity of the ecosystem for the existing and future residents of Nunavut. To assess the environmental and socio-economic impacts of the project proposal, NIRB would like to hear your concerns, comments and suggestions about the following project proposal application:

Project Proposal Title: Arctic Ice Thickening Field Test Qikiqtarjuaq
Proponent: Arctic Reflections'
Location: Qikiqtani (South Baffin Region)
Comments Due By: December 1, 2025 **NIRB #:** 25YN078

Indicate your concerns about the project proposal below:

- ϒ no concerns
- ϒ water quality
- ϒ terrain
- ϒ air quality
- ϒ wildlife and their habitat
- ϒ marine mammals and their habitat
- ϒ birds and their habitat
- ϒ fish and their habitat
- ϒ heritage resources in area
- ϒ traditional uses of land
- ϒ Inuit harvesting activities
- ϒ community involvement and consultation
- ϒ local development in the area
- ϒ tourism in the area
- ϒ human health issues
- ϒ other: _____

Please describe the concerns indicated above:

N/A

Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?

The project proposes to use two (2) floating platforms to keep scientific instruments floating when the ice starts to melt in summer. The Arctic Ocean is a navigable waterway and works in navigable waterways are subject to the *Canadian Navigable Waters Act* (CNWA) and in some cases may require an approval under the CNWA. The proponent should self-assess using the Transport Canda Navigation Protection Program (NPP)'s Project Review Tool (https://npp-submissions-demandes-ppn.tc.canada.ca/projectreview-outildexamenduprojet) to determine if the CNWA applies while the platforms are floating in open, navigable waters. The proponent should contact the NPP at NPPPNR-PPNRPN@tc.gc.ca directly for further advice.

Do you support the project proposal? Yes ϒ No ϒ Any additional comments?

N/A

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Signature: (Submitted via email) **Date:** December 1, 2025