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Dear Calvin Ehaloak, Richard Dwyer, Tracey McCaie, Luis Manzo, Carson Gillis, Natalie D'Souza, and Cliff Revering:

RE: NPC File No. 150928 [Angilak Property]

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

1. AMENDMENT to mineral exploration activities: ATHA Energy Corp. has taken over the Angilak Property and wishes to expand the exploration activities on the property.
2. Summary of modifications:
 - a. Change Project Proponent to ATHA Energy Corp.
 - b. Extension in Project Extents to reflect the current mineral tenure

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- c. Extension and upgrades to the primary Airstrip located beside the Nutaaq Camp, and maintain the secondary Airstrip located north of camp
 - d. Increase to the existing 40-person Nutaaq Camp to accommodate 60 people
 - e. Increase fuel stored at the main Nutaaq fuel cache from 205,000 L (1,000 drums) to 615,000 L (combination of bladders and drums)
 - f. Exploration trails for use by ATV or side-by-side (17.5 km x 1.5m wide or 2.6 ha)
 - g. Addition of equipment needed to facilitate camp and exploration, such as
 - i. additional diamond drill,
 - ii. reverse circulation drill,
 - iii. brush cutter/mulcher,
 - iv. 1 double axle trailer
 - v. 2 larger quads with trailers,
 - vi. 3 additional ATVs
 - vii. 4 side-by-side
 - h. Increase in drilling programs to 25,000 m across 40 to 60 holes (75% on IOL, 25% on Crown Land)
3. Timing, Duration, & Personnel:
- a. 100 days over period 1 March 2026 to 28 February 2031
 - b. 60 personnel for a total of 6,000 person-days
4. Associated NPC File Nos.: 148767 and 149691; Associated NIRB File No.: **08EN052** (Related File: 12YA009); NWB File No.: 2BE-ANG2227
5. Location: Kivalliq Region (Keewatin Planning Region); [Angilak Property, approximately 300 km west of Whale Cove]

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. The works and activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by the NPC, including mineral exploration activities, and conformity determinations were issued on 29 April 2008, 28 May 2010, 13 March 2018, and 21 February 2022 which still apply. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB File No. 08EN052). The project proposal conforms to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP) and the proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendices C, G, and H of the KRLUP.

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because increase in footprint, activities and personnel, drilling and equipment, and fuel storage. The 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, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address: <https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=150928>.

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 the email address or telephone number below.

Sincerely,



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