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Dear Calvin Ehaloak, Richard Dwyer, William Patch, and Jared Ottenhof:

RE: NPC File No 150968 [Amendment of Water Licence 3BM-GRI2636 to Type A]

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

1. **Primary Land Uses:** Municipal waste treatments plants / Water use and deposit.
2. **Project summary description:** The project involves upgrading the community's water licence (3BM-GRI2636) from a Type B to a Type A licence to support and enhance the operations of a new water treatment facility. This amendment is required to align regulatory approvals with the increased capacity and operational requirements of the upgraded infrastructure.
Summary of modifications: To enable both seasonal and year-round operation of the new water treatment plant, the proposed daily water withdrawal from the Airport River will increase from 299 m³ (current License limit) to up to 2,160 m³ per day. As a result, the proponent is applying to upgrade the existing water licence to a Type A licence. In addition, an extension of the licence term to 2047 is sought.
Note: This proposal amends NPC File 150883, for which the proponent has not continued the required regulatory review process after the NPC conformity determination.
3. **Associated NPC File Nos.:**150230, 150165, and 150883 /**Associated NIRB File Nos.:**23XN069 & 25XN006. /**NWB File No.:**3BM-GRI2636.
4. **Location:** Qikiqtani Region; [Hamlet of Grise Fiord, Within the municipal boundaries]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal, including the construction of a new water treatment system, and new solid waste facility (most recent conformity determination issued on July 25, 2025). This conformity determination still applies. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE No.: 23XN069 & 25XN006).

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because it includes a significant increase in water use resulting in upgrade of the water licence from a Type B to a Type A classification. It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, H, and I of the NBRLUP.

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, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:
<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/registry/registry.aspx?appid=150968> .

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 (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



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Manager of Planning and Implementation

Jurisdictional Note:

This conformity determination applies only to the components of the proposed project located within the Nunavut Settlement Area and under the Nunavut Planning Commission's statutory jurisdiction as defined in the Nunavut Agreement and the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA). Activities outside the NPC's jurisdiction remain subject to the review and regulatory processes of the relevant authorities. Proponents are responsible for identifying, contacting, and obtaining all required approvals from the appropriate regulators in every applicable jurisdiction to ensure compliance with all legislation, policies, and licensing requirements.