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Honourable Chuck Strahl  
Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
c/o Jeff Holwell  
Land Administrator  
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
Iqaluit, NU

Via email: [holwellj@inac-ainc.gc.ca](mailto:holwellj@inac-ainc.gc.ca)

**Re: Application Exempt from Screening under Schedule 12-1: Starfield Resources Inc's Ferguson Lake Project**

Dear Jeff Holwell:

On September 16, 2008 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received a conformity determination from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) for Starfield Resources Inc's "Ferguson Lake" project proposal. Following this, on September 17, 2008, the NIRB received a Class B Land Use Permit application from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. Be advised that this project proposal is exempt from screening as per Schedule 12-1 (2) and (5) of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) which state:

Schedule 12-1 (2):

*"Land use activities requiring only a Class B permit under the Territorial Land Use Regulations (SOR/77-210 4 March 1977)"*

Schedule 12-1 (5):

*"Water uses that do not require a public hearing under Section 13.7.3".*

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact NIRB's Manager of Environmental Administration, Leslie Payette at [lpayette@nirb.ca](mailto:lpayette@nirb.ca) or (867) 983-4605.

Best regards,



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Allison Rippin-Armstrong, Starfield Resources