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Sir/Madam:

Thank you for your letter dated April 6, 2009 concerning "Notice of Part 4 Screening for James Drummond's "CANDAC" project proposal". We would like to update you on some things that have happened in the time since we submitted the request.

As you know, in February the Federal government announced the "Arctic Research Infrastructure Fund" (ARIF) to fund renovations to Arctic science infrastructure. CANDAC submitted a proposal to this fund on March 4<sup>th</sup> and we received word on March 31<sup>st</sup> that we have been awarded the full requested amount: \$1.79M.

We have reviewed our license proposal in the light of this new award. We find that the research objectives, methodology and likely impacts remain the same. The increase in activity due to this new award means that we will be on the higher side of our usage estimates, but will likely not exceed them. We had already put forward the high end of expected activity rather than the lower end somewhat in anticipation of a situation like this happening.

We therefore consider that the license request is still appropriate to the activities proposed.

Yours

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