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Ms. Elizabeth Copland A/Chairperson Nunavut Impact Review Board PO Box 1360 CAMBRIDGE BAY NU X0B 0C0

Dear Ms. Copland:

This is in response to your letter of May 30, 2012, addressed to the Honourable John Duncan, regarding the screening decision of the Nunavut Impact Review Board on the Environment Canada's "Eureka Weather Station Facility" Project Proposal, North Baffin Region, Nunavut (NIRB 12XN020, AANDC N2012N0012).

Under Article 12.4.4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement, the Nunavut Impact Review Board is required to advise the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development of its screening decision on project proposals. As indicated in your letter, as per Article 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement, the Nunavut Impact Review Board has determined that this project proposal may be processed without a review under Part 5 or 6 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement. The Nunavut Impact Review Board has recommended terms and conditions that may be attached to regulatory approvals for the project. I would like to thank the Nunavut Impact Review Board for its diligence in reviewing this proposal.

In order to expedite the issuance of regulatory authorizations, it is important that the appropriate regulatory authorities are advised of the Nunavut Impact Review Board screening decisions. For this reason, I appreciate your efforts to copy the Land Administration Unit of the Department's Nunavut regional office on this and other screening decisions.





Should you have questions or concerns regarding my reply, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Tracey McCaie, A/Manager, Land Administration, Nunavut Region, by phone at 867-975-4283 or by e-mail at Tracey.McCaie@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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