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Dear Ms. Ohokannoak, Mr. Cote, Dr. Halfar:

RE: NPC File # 148292 Past Climate Reconstruction Using Annually-Layered Carbonate Buildups on the Nunavut Shallow Seafloor

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

1. Marine-Based Activities: Collect mounds using SCUBA at water-depths of 15-20 metres at various locations. Up to 20 mounds will be collected at each site. Mounds will be taken to laboratory to be analyzed.

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. It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP), subject to the attached conformity requirements from the KRLUP/NBRLUP that are applicable to the project proposal. The project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement.

By this letter and additional enclosures, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) for screening. Project materials are available at the following address:
<http://npc.strata360.com/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148292&sessionid=>

The applicant has undertaken to comply with the attached conformity requirements. 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 attached requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

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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 attached 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) 983-4632.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jonathan Savoy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jonathan Savoy
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