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Dear Ms. Pelletier Ms. Pugh, Ms. Ohokannoak, Mr. Kharatyan, Mr. Boa-Antwi:

**RE: NPC File # 148305 Geotechnical and Environmental Baseline Studies – Iqaluit Port Development**

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

1. An extension to the study area of the previously submitted project proposal, which involved:
  - a. Marine-Based Activities: geotechnical and environmental baseline studies will be conducted to support a deep water port site, municipal breakwater, and a boat ramp
  - b. Scientific Research: including water and sediment quality, oceanographic studies, fish and fish habitat, migratory and marine birds, terrestrial vegetation and rare plants, terrestrial landforms, soil and permafrost, traditional knowledge, geotechnical investigations (borehole drilling, cone penetration tests, vibrocores)
  - c. Requires a Class B Water License and Class A Land Use Permit

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

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The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by the NPC, and a decision was issued on June 8, 2016. In addition, the activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 16YN041). The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB under section 12.4.3 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement as amended because it is for a component or activity that was part of the original proposal and its inclusion is not a significant modification of the project.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials are available at the following address:

<http://npc.strata360.com/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=148305&sessionid=>

This decision 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.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 983-4632.

Sincerely,

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

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