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Dear, Ms. Pirie-Dominix, Ms. Kharatyan, Ms. Robinson, Mr. Shoo, Ms. Ohokannoak, and Mr. Gilchrist:

RE: NPC File # 148512 [Coastal Surveys of Common Eider Nesting Islands Along the South Baffin Coast]

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

1. Scientific Research: This renewal for an ongoing study of Eider Ducks boat-based surveys along the coastline near Cape Dorset to evaluate the breeding population in relation to diseases (avian cholera) and predation by polar bears.

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 determined that this project proposal is outside the area of an applicable regional land use plan. The activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by NPC, and a conformity determination was issued on March 14, 2006 and most recently on March 23, 2016 which still applies (NPC File No: 148225). In addition the works and activities listed above were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE No.: 06AN026). This project proposal is exempt from the *Nunavut Planning and*

Project Assessment Act (NUPPAA) under section 235 of that Act. The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB under section 12.4.3 of the Nunavut 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=148512&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) 979-3444.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Goump Djalogue". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Goump" and last name "Djalogue" clearly distinguishable.

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