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Dear Mr. Cote, Ms. McCaie, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. Lear, and Dr. Lamoureux :

**RE: NPC File # 149088- Cape Bounty Arctic Watershed Observatory**

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

1. Scientific Research: Ongoing research project intended to determine how climate change affects the land and water. The work involves obtaining water and sediment samples from the streams and lakes at Cape Bounty, and determining how vegetation changes with climate. In addition, the work will study permafrost and the effects it has on water and land.
2. Associated NPC File No.: 148246, 148366 and 148705; NIRB File No.: 03YN010.
3. Location: Qikiqtani Region; High Arctic.

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. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal conformity determination was issued on February 3, 2003, in July 2011, on March 18, 2016, October 27, 2016 and on March 15, 2018 which still applies. In addition, the activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 03YN010).

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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, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

<http://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149088&sessionid=>

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Agreement to implement any of the applicable conformity requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable 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) 979-3444.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Goump Djalogue'.

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