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Dear Ms. Maksagak, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. McCaie, Ms. D'Amours-Gauthier, Ms. Stubbing, and Ms. Cloutier-Dussault:

RE: NPC File # 149457 [West Remus Creek Quarry Expansion]

- **Related NPC File No.:** 148232 [Renewal of Eureka weather station Land use permit], 148241 [Eureka Weather Station Water Licence Renewal], 148746 [Amended Land Use Permit application for Eureka Weather Station], 149440 [Building Demolition and Temporary Camp at Eureka High Arctic Weather Station (HAWS), Amendment and Renewal of Water Licence and Extension of Quarry Permit]
- **Related NIRB File No.:** 11MN034; **Related NWB File No.:** 2 AM -MEL1631.
- **Location:** Qikiqtani Region; [Eureka, approximately 400 km North of Resolute Bay]

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

1. Quarry site: Additional aggregate, estimated at 175,000 m3 a portion of which is contingency, is required to support project activities at the Eureka High Arctic Weather Station (HAWS). Therefore, an expansion of the quarry at West Remus Creek is needed as the additional aggregate required is not available within the current permitted boundaries. The primary expansion area is immediately east of the quarry and north Remus Creek; two other contingency areas located east of the quarry and south of Remus Creek are propose in the case that acceptable aggregate grade is not available in the primary expansion area. Additional project activities include

the construction of two temporary culvert stream crossings across Remus Creek and West Remus Creek, and archeological investigations.

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, including a type B water license and the development of a quarry site. Conformity determinations were issued on December 17, 2010, April 19, 2012, April 14, 2016, and March 7, 2018, and most recently January 22, 2021. This conformity determination still applies. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 12XN020).

The NPC has determined that the above-noted project proposal is a significant modification to the project because it includes the expansion of a quarry site. It conforms to the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, H, and I of the NBRLUP.

The above-noted project proposal requires 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 not part of the original or previously amended proposal, and its inclusion is a significant modification of the project. By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the NIRB for screening. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149457&sessionid=>

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 applicable requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

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 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,



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