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Dear Mosha Cote, Tracey McCaie, Amy Robinson, Veronique D'Amours-Gauthier, Carson Gillis, Jared Ottenhof, Talia Maksagak, Jason Gobat:

RE: NPC File # 149408 [The Arctic Observing Network: Capturing and Understanding Arctic Change with Renewed Observations at the Davis Strait Gateway]

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

1. Oceanographic Scientific Research: observational program of oceanographic measurements across Davis Strait, from the Baffin Island slope to the West Greenland shelf. The project will involve:

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- a. Field operations (ship visits) in the fall (September or October) every two years, beginning in 2021. A CTD station during each visit will collect high resolution profiles of salinity and temperature and water samples.
 - b. Deployment of moorings (2) offshore Cape Dyer on the Baffin slope, at 100m and 150m depths.
2. Location: Qikiqtani; [Davis Strait - offshore Cape Dyer]

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 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 Agreement.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the NIRB for screening. Project materials are available at the following address:

<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149408&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) 949-3444.

Sincerely,



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