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Sent via email: jonathan.fisher@mi.mun.ca

Re: Termination of Assessment Activities for Memorial University of Newfoundland's "Testing Industrial Vessel to Survey Canadian Arctic Gateway Ecosystems" Project Proposal, pursuant to NuPPAA s. 143(6)

Dear Jonathan Fisher:

On September 21, 2021 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received the enclosed request from Memorial University of Newfoundland to terminate the assessment of the "Testing Industrial Vessel to Survey Canadian Arctic Gateway Ecosystems" project proposal. Pursuant to s. 143(6) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*) [NIRB File No.: 19YN037], this letter is an official notification to all parties that the assessment of the "Testing Industrial Vessel to Survey Canadian Arctic Gateway Ecosystems" project proposal has been **terminated** effective September 21, 2021 pursuant to s. 143(6) of the *NuPPAA*.

Should the Proponent wish to undertake the proposed project in future, a new project proposal must be submitted to the Nunavut Planning Commission in accordance with s. 76 of the *NuPPAA*. Please be advised that the *NuPPAA* prohibits the carrying out of a project, in whole or in part, where the required assessment by the NIRB has not been completed; regulatory authorities are also not authorized to issue a licence, permit or other authorizations in respect of a project where the required assessment by the NIRB has not been completed.

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be accessed from the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca/project/125447.

Should you have any questions or require clarification regarding the termination of the assessment of "Testing Industrial Vessel to Survey Canadian Arctic Gateway Ecosystems" project, please contact Tara Arko – Director, Technical Services at (867) 983-4611 or tarko@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



Karen D. Costello
Executive Director
Nunavut Impact Review Board

Enclosure (1): Memorial University of Newfoundland Termination Request Email (September 21, 2021)

cc: The Honourable Bernadette Jordan, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard
The Honourable David Joanasie, Acting Minister Responsible for Nunavut Arctic College
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