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Dear M. Kaviq Kaluraq,

Thank you for your correspondence of October 18, 2021 to the Honourable Seamus O'Regan, former Minister of Natural Resources, regarding the issuance of a Screening Decision Report for Fisheries and Oceans Canada – Small Craft Harbours' "Clyde River Small Craft Harbour Development" Project Proposal, Qikiqtani Region. The Minister has asked me to reply on his behalf.

Under sub-section 92(1) of the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act (NuPPAA), the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) must submit a written report to the responsible Minister(s). In its Screening Decision Report, NIRB has determined that the project is not likely to cause significant public concerns or result in significant adverse environmental and social impacts subject to the Proponent's compliance with recommended terms and conditions. NIRB has recommended acceptance of the Screening Decision Report and that a review of the project is not required.

Natural Resources Canada (NRCCan) accepts the Screening Decision Report, agrees that a review of the project is not required and that the assessment is complete, pursuant to paragraph 93(1)(a) of NuPPAA. The proponent may therefore carry out the project, subject to paragraph 74(f), and obtain any license, permit or other authorization required by or under any other Act of Parliament, territorial law or any other requirements set out in such an Act or law.

Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Rob Johnstone, Manager, Impact Assessment and Aboriginal Consultation at (613)-859-1279 or by e-mail at rob.johnstone@NRCCan-RNCan.gc.ca.

Yours sincerely,

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