



CIRNAC Comments to NIRB

Re: Notice of Screening for Government of Nunavut's "Coral Harbour Municipal Water Licence Renewal" Project Proposal



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via NIRB public registry

Re: Notice of Screening and Comment request for Government of Nunavut's "Coral Harbour Municipal Water Licence Renewal" Project Proposal

Dear Francis Emingak,

On October 18, 2021, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) invited parties to comment on the Government of Nunavut's "Coral Harbour Municipal Water Licence Renewal" project proposal. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and offers the responses below as it pertains to the NIRB's request:

Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

CIRNAC #1: Potential for Positive Effects to Inuit Through Employment, Training, and Procurement Opportunities

CIRNAC recommends that the Proponent prioritize the employment and training of local Inuit as well as procurement with Inuit-owned businesses when implementing project activities. Such efforts will allow for positive effects to be realized by community members and the local Inuit population. As a result, Inuit and Inuit-owned businesses situated in Coral Harbour should be prioritized in any project-related employment, training and procurement opportunities that may be made available.

CIRNAC #2: Consultation with Interested Parties

CIRNAC recommends that the Proponent and the Hamlet of Coral Harbour consult with community members and organizations which may have an interest in the project's activities (e.g., the Aiviit Hunters and Trappers Organization). Issues that should be considered as part of any consultation activities include:



- Safety precautions associated with water resupply activities and the operation of licensed facilities which include the storage reservoir, sewage lagoon and wetland treatment area, and solid waste facility;
- Incorporation of Inuit knowledge and Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit into project activities;
- Training and employment opportunities for community members;
- Procurement opportunities for local businesses, and
- Regular updates on the status of project activities.

CIRNAC appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and looks forward to working with the NIRB and the Proponent throughout any further review phases related to this project. Should you have any questions, please contact Richard Bingley by e-mail at richard.bingley2@canada.ca or David Abernethy at (867) 222-1610 or email at david.abernethy@canada.ca.

Sincerely,



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