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

RE: NPC File # 149617 [Landfarm, Solid Waste Non-Hazardous Facility, Water and Sewage Treatment Infrastructure Upgrades, Temporary Camp and Amendment of Water Licence, for the Eureka High Arctic Weather Station]

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

- 1. The previously approved activities (i.e., the water and sewage projects and solid waste non-hazardous facility) have been delayed and are scheduled to begin in summer of 2022 and summer of 2023 respectively. The Proponent is therefore proposing the following modification activities:
 - Increase the capacity of the landfarm from 6,000 m³ to 10,000 m³ to allow for a contingency of 4000 m³ for potentially contaminated soils found at the west side of the Eureka HAWS.
 - Excavation of up to 1600 m³ of soil to support the water and sewage infrastructure project.
 - Construction of an additional temporary stockpile placed adjacent to the existing temporary stockpile.
 - Use of excavated soils and sludge removed from the existing sewage lagoon as fill onsite at a nonenvironmentally sensitive location or treated in the landfarm.

- 2. Related NPC File Nos: 149476, 149587, 148232, 148241, 148746, 149440, 149457; NIRB File Nos. 12XN020, 21QN005, 21XN012, 21UN002; NWB File No. 8B-EUR1621.
- 3. Location: Qikiqtani Region [Eureka, approximately 400km North of Resolute Bay]

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 activities associated with this proposal were previously reviewed by NPC, including a Type B water license and the development of a quarry site and conformity determination issued on December 17, 2010, January 6, 2011, April 14, 2016, March 7, 2018, January 22, 2021, February 9, 2021, & February 22, 2021, respectively which still applies. In addition, the activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB File Nos.: 12XN020, 21QN005, 21XN012 & 21UN002). 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 is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that the proposed modification activities does not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:

https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149617&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) 983-4625.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Planning Commission