



# CIRNAC Comments to NIRB

Re: Notice of Screening for Dalhousie University's  
"Water Resource Assessment for Coral Harbour"  
Project Proposal



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via NIRB public registry

**Re: Notice of Screening and Comment request for Dalhousie University's "Water Resource Assessment" Project Proposal**

Dear Frances Emingak,

On June 3, 2022 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) invited parties to comment on Dalhousie University's "Water Resource Assessment for Coral Harbour" project proposal. Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) appreciates the opportunity to provide comments and offers the response below as it pertains to NIRB'S request:

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

**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.

**Consultation with interested parties.**

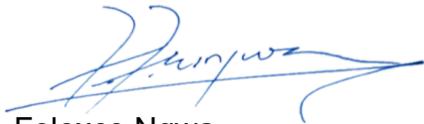
CIRNAC recommends that the Proponent work with the Hamlet of Coral Harbour and consult interested community members on the proposed undertaking. Issues that should be considered as part of any consultation activities may include:



- Incorporation of Inuit knowledge and Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit into project activities;
- Mitigation measures designed to prevent any disturbance to the environment;
- 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 Courtney White by e-mail at [courtney.white@canada.ca](mailto:courtney.white@canada.ca) or David Abernethy at (867) 222-1610 or email at [david.abernethy@canada.ca](mailto:david.abernethy@canada.ca).

Sincerely,



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