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To: Nunavut Impact Review Board

From: Kivalliq Inuit Association

Project Proposal Title: Nunavut Uranium Project

Proponent: Forum Energy Metals Corp.

Location: Kivalliq Region

Comments Due By: July 5, 2022 NIRB #: 22EN032

July 4, 2022

NIRB Question: Whether the proposed project is likely to arouse significant public concern.

KivIA Answer: The project is a uranium exploration project so it will arouse some public concern. This concern was evident at the public meeting held by Forum Energy Metals Corp. in Baker Lake on the evening of June 20, 2022. One of the attendees from Baker Lake gave a short presentation with copies of photographs showing drill casing above ground level and steel cables from a site visited in 2012. Forum Energy Metals Corp. (Forum) still retains the mineral claims that they held in 2012. In addition, claims formerly help by Cameco Corporation have been acquired by Forum. It is still uncertain if the photographs shown at the June 20th meeting are related to previous work by Forum Energy Metals Corp. or work related to Cameco Corporation from the same period.

The following is recommended by the KivIA:

1) Forum provide copies of the final inspection reports by CIRNAC and the KivIA from the 2012 period for their properties,
2) Forum provide copies of the final inspection reports on the public record by CIRNAC and the KivIA from the 2012 period for the Cameco Corporation properties, and
3) Forum provide written responses to the questions asked at the June 20th, 2022 meeting held in Baker Lake.

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NIRB Question: Whether the proposed project is likely to cause significant adverse ecosysytemic or socio-economic effects

KivIA Answer: The project as proposed is likely not to cause significant adverse ecosysytemic or socio-economic effects.

NIRB Question: Whether the proposed project is likely to cause significant adverse impacts on wildlife habitat or Inuit harvest activities.

KivIA Answer: The project as proposed is likely not to cause significant adverse impacts on wildlife habitat or Inuit harvest activities.

NIRB Question: Whether the proposed project is a type where the potentially adverse effects are highly predictable and can be prevented/managed appropriately with known technology.

KivIA Answer: The project as proposed is a type where the potentially adverse effects are highly predictable and can be prevented/managed appropriately with known technology.

General KivIA Comments:

The KivIA would like responses from Forum and the NIRB in regard to the following questions/comments:

1) The number and size of the sleds and komatiks to be used with the SnowCats, Challengers and Deltas's for overland hauling during 2023 should be added to the Equipment lists in the NIRB application and in the Abandonment & Restoration Plan.
2) There is reference in the NIRB Notice of Screening for this project dated June 14, 2022 under the 2023 activities of *"Transportation, storage and use of up to six (6) 50,000 Litre (L) double walled fuel tanks at the campsite."* However, there is no reference in the actual application of these tanks. The only reference is to 683 drums of JET A, 708 drums of Diesel (P-50) and 2 drums of gasoline.

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3) In addition to before and after pictures there should be a final inspection sheet signed off by the project manager, or their designate, for each drill hole site.
4) When the temporary campsite is removed there should be a final inspection report completed and signed off by the project manager, or their designate, and any contractors responsible for the clean-up.
5) In the Wildlife Monitoring and Mitigation Plan please add a KivIA contact name and number for Baker Lake and Rankin Inlet for reporting any bear incidents and/or interactions, wolf or fox den sightings and any large herd sightings.

Specific KivIA Comments for 2022 and 2023 Activities:

2022 Activities:

o **Activity**

- A thirty-day program based out of Baker Lake for day trips by a six-person helicopter supported exploration program.

Recommendation

– have a local monitor to ensure flight rules are followed, in particular, refrain from low level flights near all wildlife, especially caribou.

o **Activity**

- Airborne geophysical surveys

Recommendation

– ensure all flight regulations are followed, in particular, refrain from low level flights near all wildlife, especially caribou.

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2023 Activities

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o **Activity**

- Over land transport of camp and exploration-related equipment and supplies to the proposed campsite via sled trains in the Spring of 2023

Recommendation

– ensure convoys have sufficient spill response materials in the spill kits, up to 1000L

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Baker Lake

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Chesterfield Inlet

o **Activity**

- Drilling conducted from June to September

Recommendations

– ensure drills are equipped with Spill response kits, up to 1000L

- Ensure the drill sites and drill cuttings sumps are located a minimum distance of 31 meters from all nearby water sources.

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Coral Harbour

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o **Activity**

- Transportation, storage and use of up to six (6) 50,000 Litre (L) double walled fuel tanks at the campsite

Recommendation

– ensure to use lined berm with all tanks

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Rankin Inlet

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Whale Cove

o **Activity**

- Use fuel and lubricants

Recommendation

– ensure to use lined berms and 2ndary containments where fuel transfer will be conducted