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Subject: NIRB 19YN024: Suspended Assessment and Request for Notification of Intended Re-Engagement
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Dear Dr. Valeria Vergara;

This email is a follow up to the Suspension of Assessment of Activities issued by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) dated, August 9, 2019 for Ocean Wise Conservation Association's "Eyes Above and Ears Below: Combining Technologies to Understand Killer Whale Vocal Behaviour, Group Composition and Distribution in the Arctic" project proposal (NIRB: 19YN024; NPC: 149163).

The NIRB requests that Ocean Wise Conservation Association provide an update to confirm whether the company expects to re-engage the assessment process for the "Eyes Above and Ears Below: Combining Technologies to Understand Killer Whale Vocal Behaviour, Group Composition and Distribution in the Arctic" project proposal and if so, when can the NIRB expect the material be submitted? Please send the update to info@nirb.ca and to Keith Morrison, Manager of Impact Assessment at kmorrison@nirb.ca.

Should you wish to resume the assessment in the future, a written request must be filed directly with the ourselves the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) and we would then commence screening of the project proposal.

Please note that if such a written request has not been filed by August 9, 2022 the assessment of the project will be terminated as per section 143(4) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA). You would then have to re-apply through the Nunavut Planning Commission (Commission).

If you have any questions or require clarification on the NIRB Process, please contact Keith Morrison, directly at (867) 983-4617 or by email at kmorrison@nirb.ca.

Best regards,

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