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Dear Mr. Emingak, Mr. Cote, Mr. Dwyer, Ms. McCaie, Ms. Pilakapsi, and Mr. Day:

RE: NPC File # 149939 [Lake sediment geochemistry survey]

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

1. Geological Survey of Canada is proposing to conduct a regional lake sediment and water survey in the Kivalliq region. The proposed survey is expected to improve regional understanding of naturally occurring metals to help assess mineral potential and establish the baselines of naturally occurring metals and minerals in lakes. Specific activities proposed for the project include:
 - use a helicopter based in Rankin Inlet to visit lakes within the study area.
 - A team of three (3) people would collect mud from the bottom of lakes and surface water samples for analysis.
2. Location: Kivalliq Region; [Several Lake areas encompassing Rankin Inlet and Chesterfield Inlet].

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) can be accessed online using the link below.

The NPC has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. It conforms to the Keewatin Regional Land Use Plan (KRLUP). The proponent has undertaken to comply with the applicable conformity requirements of Appendix C, G, and H of the KRLUP. The project proposal requires screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) because it does not belong to a class of exempt works or activities set out in Schedule 12-1 of the Nunavut Agreement.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal with this determination to the NIRB for screening. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address:
<https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149939&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) 447-4563.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'S.A.' with a stylized flourish.

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