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VIA EMAIL

Dear Ms. Filiatrault,

**Re: Nunavut Impact Review Board Revised Draft Standard Impact Statement Guidelines for
Comment - Délıne Got'ıne Government Contact Information**

This letter responds to the April 3, 2024 notice seeking input to the 2024 Nunavut Impact Review Board Revised Draft Standard Impact Statement Guidelines (Guidelines). We have reviewed the Guidelines and see them as generally supportive of our concerns regarding transboundary impacts. Still, we have a couple of comments to share in order to improve awareness of the rights of the people of Délıne and coordination between the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) and the Délıne Got'ıne Government.

The Délıne Got'ıne Government is recognized through the Délıne Self Government Agreement, a section 35 constitutionally protected treaty negotiated subsequent to the Sahtú Dene and Métis Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement (SDMCLCA). The Délıne Got'ıne Government is a self-governing Indigenous government, and the representative organization of the Délıne Got'ıne in all fora and in all matters impacting Délıne Got'ıne Government authorities and Délıne Got'ıne rights.

As a preliminary matter, we feel it is important to note that we learned about the request for focused public comment indirectly through the Nunavut Planning Commission's (NPC) Recommended Nunavut Land Use Plan consultation process. It appears that the April 3, 2024 call for comment was addressed to the Nunavut wide distribution list. As the organization that is responsible for representing the treaty rights of Délıne First Nation Citizens, it is important that we are included in the recipient list for such notices and be granted an opportunity to contribute to these processes. Similarly, notices of proposed developments with potential transboundary impacts should be brought to the attention of the Délıne Got'ıne Government.

On a similar note, Appendix C of the Guidelines lists those organizations that “proponents should consider engaging with ... neighbouring jurisdictions and those with transboundary interests and claims, including Indigenous Groups asserting s. 35 Rights in Nunavut. The Appendix points specifically to “the Mackenzie Valley and Neighbouring Jurisdictions/Transboundary Interests or Claims (Sahtu Settlement Region, Wek’èezhìì or Tłı̨çẖ Settlement Region) and MVEIRB, MVLWB and SRRB”. We would request that the Délı̨ṉ Got’ı̨ṉ Government be added to this table in the same manner that the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation and Makivik Corporation, for example, are included. Specifically, please ensure to notify the following officials:

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We appreciate your consideration of this request. If you or your team have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Director of Intergovernmental Relations, Stephanie Irlbacher-Fox at intergovernmental.director@gov.deline.ca.

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