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Dear Mr. Ehaloak,

Thank you for your correspondence of March 13, 2026, regarding the Screening Decision Report (the Report) for Atha Energy Corp.'s (the Proponent) Angilak Property Project (the Project).

I am following-up on the response from Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada sent to you, and the Proponent, on March 27, 2026, extending the Screening Decision time limit per paragraph 93(2) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (the Act).

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (the Board) has recommended, per paragraph 92(1)(a) of the Act, that a review of the Project is not required. The Board has also recommended project-specific terms and conditions per paragraph 92(2)(a) of the Act. Subject to the Proponent's compliance with these terms and conditions, the Board is of the view that the Project is not likely to cause significant public concerns, nor is it likely to result in significant adverse environmental and social impacts.

As noted in the March 27, 2026, correspondence, the Minister of Northern and Arctic Affairs has jurisdictional responsibility for issuing the screening decision.

On behalf of the Minister of Northern and Arctic Affairs, I hereby agree per paragraph 93(1)(a) of the Act that a review of the Project is not required and that the assessment of the Project has been completed and the Proponent may carry out the Project, subject to paragraph 74(f) of the Act and to obtaining any licence, permit, or other authorization required by law.

CIRNAC recognizes the importance of the Qamanirjuaq caribou herd to Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene's communities and acknowledges the concerns raised regarding herd vulnerability, migration, calving, post-calving habitat, and cumulative regional impacts associated with mineral exploration activities. CIRNAC also acknowledges the

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Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene's comments regarding the adequacy of proposed mitigation measures and the importance of cumulative effects considerations and has considered the concerns and recommendations outlined by the Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene prior to coming to a final decision.

CIRNAC encourages ongoing engagement between Atha Energy Corp. and Ghotelnene K'odtineh Dene to support continued dialogue and help ensure community perspectives and interests are appropriately considered.

I would like to thank the Board and its staff for its diligence in completing the Screening of the Project.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at spencer.dewar@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca or (867)222-8452.

Sincerely,

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