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Chair, Environmental Impact Review Board Box 2120, Inuvik, NT, X0E 0T0

Re: Beaufort Sea Exploration Joint Venture Drilling Program Review – FJMC request to become a Registered Participant

Dear Jon,

Thank you for your January 8, 2014 letter on the Beaufort Sea Exploration Joint Venture Drilling Program Review. The FJMC would like to become a Registered Participant in the EIRB review of this program.

As we have stated previously, we remain concerned that this project remains deficit in many areas for the completion of a full review process. We would appreciate a further understanding from the EIRB as to how the deficit areas are to be addressed and what the proposed schedule will be in this regard. In particular, areas such as the lack of a same season relief well plan and an ice management plan are of concern of the Committee, and from previous meetings, we believe these are of concern to the ISR communities as well.

I am confident from our discussions during the Joint Secretariat Board meeting of January 29, 2014 that the EIRB process on this issue is under development and that as it unfolds information will be shared with the Committee to aid our understanding and facilitate our planning for this review. If this is not the case, I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this with you further (226-784-2123 or cell 519-441-7478).

Please contact Kristin Hynes at the Joint Secretariat office in Inuvik (867-777-2828) if any further information is needed from the FJMC at this time.

Sincerely,

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