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Joint Secretariat – Inuvialuit Settlement Region
Box 2120, Inuvik, NT X0E 0T0

Dear Mr: Nasogaluak:

Re: Imperial Oil Resources Ventures – Beaufort Sea Joint Venture Exploration Drilling Program

Thank you for your letter of January 8, 2014 outlining the process that the Environmental Impact Review Board (EIRB) intends to follow in assessing this project. We have reviewed the outline provided on the EIRB's Operating Procedures (OP-EIRB), regarding registered participants in the upcoming review of the project and provide the following as required.

The Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO) wishes to register under section 12.5 of the OP-EIRB as a Registered Participant and/or Representative of federal government departments and agencies for the purposes of this Review. NPMO's purpose in registering is to ensure it will receive all pertinent information on the Review as part of the EIRB's distribution for submissions. NPMO is also pleased to confirm that it will be coordinating federal participation in the EIRB Review of the Project. Please add the following to the EIRB distribution list:

Marie Adams, Senior Project Manager – marie.adams@cannor.gc.ca and cc to: David Alexander, Project Manager – david.alexander@cannor.gc.ca

Please note that NPMO will be instructing all departments that may have an interest in participating in this Review to register separately as participants in this Review. This is necessary in order to ensure that departments have the ability to participate directly in any public hearings processes or technical sessions by providing evidence, to be questioned on that evidence as well as having the ability to request information or question the proponent and other parties to the Review.

NPMO also wishes to inform the EIRB that in addition to coordinating federal participation in the EIRB Review process, it will be working closely with the National Energy Board as the lead agency responsible for meeting requirements of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, to coordinate and align assessment processes where this is possible.



We look forward to receiving the Terms of Reference and information on the workplan from the EIRB for review. Please do not hesitate to contact either David or me on any matters related to federal coordination on the project.

Sincerely,

Marie Adams
Senior Project Manager
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Cc Richard Binder – EIRB
Matthew Spence – Director General - NPMO