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July 3, 2012

Environmental Impact Review Board  
P.O. Box 212  
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Attention: Mr. Eli Nasogaluak, Environmental Impact Review Coordinator

Subject: Developer Response to Request for Ruling,  
Environmental Impact Review, Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk Highway [02/10/05]

Dear Mr. Nasogaluak,

On behalf of the Developers, please accept this letter as an acknowledgement that the Environmental Impact Review Board (EIRB) has received letters from the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency (CanNor) and Wildlife Management Advisory Council (WMAC) (NWT) in response to the Developer's Request for Ruling. Based on the content of these two letters, and that no substantive issues were raised, the Developer respectfully requests that the EIRB consider the rationale provided in the Request for Ruling and revise the schedule such that the impact review process may be completed by December 2012.

Although the Developer acknowledges CanNor's letter regarding the availability of funding starting in 2012-13 and continuing for five years, senior federal officials have recently informed the Developer that there are numerous competing projects for available federal funds and that federal funds for this project will likely be redirected should the impact review process extend into 2013. As such, the Developers would reemphasize that it is critical for the EIRB to proceed in an expeditious timeframe to avoid the loss of federal funding for this Project.

With respect to the WMAC (NWT) letter, the Developer emphasizes that responses to the Information Requests (IR #147-152) found within the EIRB's Directives letter (May 25, 2012) were submitted to the EIRB on June 11, 2012. These responses were posted to the EIRB's registry on June 12, 2012 and are listed as document #183.

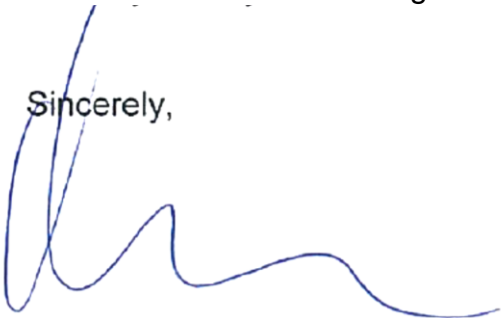
The Developer believes that the EIRB's process for notification (Section 3.5.6 of the Rules of Procedure for the Environmental Impact Screening and Review Process of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement) will provide adequate time for WMAC (NWT) and the public to review all of the information on the EIRB's registry. The Developer fully supports WMAC (NWT)'s request that the Developer, the parties, and the public be expediently informed of specific dates in the process as advanced notice will be required to adequately prepare.

As no substantive issues were raised by the public for the process to be delayed, the Developer respectfully requests that a new schedule be implemented that reflect the proposed schedule outlined in the Request for Ruling:

July 2012	Technical Sessions, Inuvik
August 2012	Filing of Final Technical Submissions by the Parties
September 2012	Developer Reply to Party Final Submission
September 2012	Public Hearings, Tuktoyaktuk and Inuvik
December 2012	Issue Review Panel Report

The Developer remains confident that any outstanding issues that the EIRB may have, can and will be resolved during the technical hearings and public hearings.

Sincerely,



Mervin Gruben  
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Hamlet of Tuktoyaktuk

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