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Ms. Sharon Ehaloak
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Dear Ms. Ehaloak:

RE: Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan

Thank you very much for providing us with the opportunity to provide comments on the documents and maps that the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) provided comprising the Working Draft of the Nunavut Land Use Plan (NLUP). As well, Starfield greatly appreciated the opportunity to attend the consultation/workshop session held in Edmonton earlier this spring. We recognize that until the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act is finalized and passed, some of the components of the NLUP will remain uncertain and subject to change. Starfield fully supports the development of a Nunavut-wide Land Use Plan, however the plan must be clear, provide certainty, and must foster confidence in both the mineral industry and the investment community.

The NLUP, as it currently exists, provides little in the way of background information, supporting documentation, explanations and definitions. It is very difficult, as a proponent, to conduct a self-determination based on the information available. If you review the location of the Starfield Ferguson Lake Project on the map which illustrates the conservation planning, you will note that the caribou calving grounds are identified by Wildlife Areas of Special Interest (WASI), the Critical Wildlife Areas (CWA) and the Government of Nunavut. Each of these boundaries are different. In the maps used to define the caribou calving grounds prior to the development of this map, the Starfield Ferguson Lake camp fell outside of the caribou calving grounds. However, on this map, the CWA boundary shows the camp location within the caribou calving grounds. Our question and concern, what does this mean for the Starfield Ferguson Lake Project?

How is the NPC going to address varying boundaries, and if the boundaries change to encompass existing projects, how will this impact the proponent? How will the NPC conduct a conformity determination? Who will determine what boundary applies and what requirements will apply? Starfield has serious concerns about the potential implication of these changing boundaries.

Starfield has made a significant investment in Nunavut; we believe in the project, the people and the region. We do require certainty, clarity and confidence. We wish to remain closely involved in the development of the NLUP and look forward to continuing to work with the NPC. We believe that a Nunavut-wide Land Use Plan is the path forward and commend the NPC's efforts to date and look forward to participating in the next iteration of the working draft.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Fred Mason". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Fred Mason
VP Operations
Starfield Resources Inc.