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Mr. Adrian Boyd Director of Policy Nunavut Planning Commission PO Box 2101 Cambridge Bay, NU X0B 0C0

Dear Adrian:

re: Written submissions on the DNLUP

This is in response to the NPC's request for comments on the Draft Land Use Plan.

The Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (DNLUP) has evolved significantly and continues to grow in depth and weight as the Commission gathers data from stakeholders and the communities. The Filling the Gaps in the Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan Workshop in Cambridge Bay helped to set the stage for a promising revival of cooperation between the many organizations and individuals who have an interest in seeing the DNLUP develop into a effective and useful tool that benefits the land and those who utilize its resources.

While the DNLUP is well designed to accommodate the information that will form the bulk of the plan, in its present form, the DNLUP is only loosely connected with the NPC's Options and Recommendations document. This tenuous connection creates uncertainty about how the information will be represented in the draft's final form. We would like to better understand how this transition will occur. In this regard, it is unclear how the information collected from the community consultations will be integrated. What weight will be assigned to the data that has been collected? Similarly, the "Land Use Recommendation" areas represent pools of information relevant to land use planning. Both sources of information will be a valuable resource toward developing mitigation measures or guidelines for development and land use and we look forward to learning the final methods that will be employed to further increase the value of the DNLUP.

We have identified a number of areas of concern for which we would like to work with your staff to gain clarification. The following Inuit Owned Land subsurface parcels are in one way or another impacted through the NPC's designations:

Group 1 (PSE 2): CD-41, CD-46, GF-16

Group 2 (PSE 3): JO-08, JO-09, SQ-05, SQ-01, PI-07

Group 3 (BHC-10): BI-35

Group 4 (BHC-8): CO-54, CO-62, CO-06, CO-08, AR-16, WC-09, SQ-01

Group 5 (BHC-8 and 9): BI-14

Group 6 (Marble Island): RI-03

In addition, a number of surface Inuit Owned Lands parcels are similarly intersected by NPC designation zones and we would like to have the option for consultation to gain clarification on the impacts to these areas as well. A full list is will accompany this letter in email.

We anticipate the plan will continue to be refined, evolve and grow as the NPC synthesizes the ever expanding volume of information that they receive from the public and their planning partners. We hope to continue to work together with all parties to ensure that the first instantiation of the plan is a success.

Sincerely,

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