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Dear Talia Maksagak, Daniel Haney, Tina Nleya, Jane Chisholm, Lisa Pirie-Dominix, Alexander Stubbing, Carson Gillis, Geoff Clark, Jared Ottenhof, and Kate Smith:

RE: NPC File # 149786 [Silver Wind - Arctic Cruises 2022]

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The following works and activities have been proposed in the above-noted project proposal:

1. **Marine-based Activities:** Two Luxury expedition cruising carrying 250 passengers, 230 crews and 24 expedition staff.
 - a. Iqaluit (August 12, 2022) to Gibbs Fjord (August 18, 2022)
 - b. Pond Inlet (August 30, 2022) to Herschel Island (September 12, 2022)
2. **Tourism Activities:** Ship sightseeing, zodiac cruising and organized shore visits – including community visits and guided visits to sites of archeological, geological, paleontological, cultural, heritage, and wildlife interest.
3. Associated NPC FILE No: 148268, 148269, 148533, 148810, 149015, and 149028.
4. Associated NIRB FILE No: 14AN024, 16TN052.
5. Location: Kitikmeot & Qikiqtaaluk; [several communities and islands throughout the Northwest Passage]

A complete description of the project proposal reviewed by the NPC can be accessed online using the link below.

The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has completed its review of the above noted project proposal. The NPC previously reviewed works and activities associated with the current proposal, including ship sightseeing, zodiac cruising, and organized shore visits (last conformity determination issued on April 17, 2019). This conformity determination still applies. In addition, associated activities were previously screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB FILE NO.: 14AN024 & 16TN052).

The above-noted project proposal is exempt from screening by the NIRB because the NPC is of the understanding that it does not change the general scope of the original or previously amended project activities, and the exceptions noted in Section 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the Nunavut Agreement do not apply.

By way of this letter, the NPC is forwarding the project proposal to the regulatory authorities identified by the proponent. Project materials, including the applicable conformity requirements, are available at the following address: <https://lupit.nunavut.ca/portal/project-dashboard.php?appid=149786&sessionid=>

The regulatory authorities to which this letter is addressed are responsible under the Nunavut Agreement to implement any of the applicable conformity requirements by incorporating the requirements directly, or otherwise ensuring that they must be met, in the terms and conditions of any authorizations issued.

This conformity determination applies only to the above noted project proposal as submitted. Proponents may not carry out projects and regulatory authorities may not issue licenses, permits and other authorizations in respect of projects if a review by the NPC is required. Regulatory authorities may consult with the NPC to obtain recommendations on their duties to implement the existing land use plans prior to issuing licenses, permits and other authorizations under subsection 69(6) of the NUPPAA.

My office would be pleased to discuss how best to implement the applicable requirements and to review any draft authorizations that regulatory authorities wish to provide for that purpose. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 979-3444.

Sincerely,



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