



PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Participation in the Environmental Review of the Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project

Participant Funding Available

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) is now accepting applications from individuals and groups seeking participant funding to take part in the NIRB's Environmental Review of the Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project. The Project was referred to the NIRB for an Environmental Review under Part 5 of Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement on February 23, 2010. The purpose of the Environmental Review is to identify the ecosystemic and socio-economic effects of the Project, to gauge and define the extent of the effects identified and to determine whether the Project should proceed, and if so, under what terms and conditions.

This funding facilitates public participation at various stages in the Environmental Review process, including providing comments on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Guidelines for the Project, reviewing the EIS submitted and preparing for and attending public hearings. A funding review committee independent of the NIRB will consider all applications and recommend allocation of funds to applicants according to specified eligibility criteria. All successful applicants will be required to sign an agreement with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, under which expenditures may be subject to audit.

Applications for funding must be prepared in accordance with the NIRB Participant Funding Guide and must be received by the NIRB no later than Monday, April 12, 2010.

The Proposed Project

AREVA Resources Canada Inc. is proposing to develop a uranium ore mining and milling operation located in the Kivalliq region of Nunavut, approximately 80 km west of the community of Baker Lake. Three areas are proposed for development. The main base of operations would be the Kiggavik site, which involves open pit mining, power generation, ore processing, warehousing, administration and personnel accommodation. A second site at Sissons includes open pit mining, underground mining, and the ancillary activities required to support these mining operations. The third site consists of a dock site at Baker Lake to serve as a transfer and storage facility for materials and supplies en route to Kiggavik. Following construction, the mine and mill are projected to operate for approximately 17 years, and it is estimated that 3,000 tonnes of uranium concentrate (yellowcake) will be processed annually in the Project's mill at the Kiggavik site.

For more information on this project (NIRB File No. 09MN003), on the NIRB Environmental Review process or for a copy of the *NIRB Participant Program Guide*, please visit the NIRB's ftp site at http://ftp.nirb.ca/REVIEWS/CURRENT_REVIEWS/.

To register as an interested party and stay informed of activities relating to this Environmental Review, or to receive or submit a Participant Funding application please contact:

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