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MINUTES

OF THE

256TH MEETING

October 16, 2020

By Video Conference

ADOPTED



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Meeting summary

The 256th meeting was held by Video Conference on October 16, 2020

In attendance:

*Mr. Pierre Philie
Daniel Berrouard
Thérèse Spiegle
Cynthia Marchildon*

*Lisa Koperqualuk
Joseph Annahatak
Putulik Papigatuk*

Executive secretary: *Florian Olivier*

PROJECTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

DISCUSSION POINTS OR DECISIONS

Request for modification of the certificate of authorization for the Nunavik Nickel Project, Canadian Royalties Inc. (CRI) Underground Exploitation at Expo West site (3215-14-007)

- After review of the information submitted, the KQEC has decided, pursuant to section 200 of the Environment Quality Act, to authorize this request to amend the project's certificate of authorization

Makivik corp. request for a permanent observer at KEQC's meetings

- It is decided to invite a Makivik representative to the next KEQC board meeting (KEQC 257 November 5, 2020) to clarify the objectives of this request.



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1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda is adopted as modified and can be found in Appendix A

NEW DOSSIER

2. Request for modification of the certificate of authorization for the Nunavik Nickel Project, Canadian Royalties Inc. (CRI) Underground Exploitation at Expo West site (3215-14-007)

2.1. Preliminary information

Task: For discussion, decision

The Nunavik Nickel inc. Project (NNiP), by Canadian Royalties Inc. (CRI), was the subject of an initial environmental and social impact study in 2007. This led to certification of authorization (CA) for the entire NNiP mining site on March 20, 2008, pursuant to section 201 of the *Environmental Quality Act*.

The project consists of underground mining via ramp access of an extension of the current Expo deposit, named “Expo West,” because it is situated west of the Expo pit.

The project is located within the Mining Lease No. 880, granted on June 9, 2008, for a surface area of 139.86 ha. Expo West would be mined at a rate of 1,500 tonnes per day (tpd). As per the CA, the maximum production would remain unchanged, at 4,500 tpd. Consequently, the Expo West project would extend the life of the NNiP.

Overall, the Commission notices that the impacts of this project are minimal, as the already authorized mining rate will not increase and mining will be done underground, which generates less emissions than open-pit mining.

Therefore, in view of the submitted information, the Commission decides to authorize this request to amend the project’s certificate of authorization

3. Varia: Makivik corp. request for a permanent observer at KEQC’s meetings

The board members continue to hold the same position on this request and believe that the KQEC adequately represents Inuit interests. The chair of the board was slated to attend a meeting with the Kativik Environmental Advisory Committee at the end of September regarding this request. Since that meeting never happened, it was decided to invite a Makivik representative to a future KEQC board meeting to clarify the objectives of this request.

4. Next meeting

The next KEQC meeting is planned for November 5, 2020.



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Appendix A

255th Meeting

October 16, 2020, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. – Zoom Videoconference

AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

NEW DOSSIERS

2. **Request for modification of the certificate of authorization for the Nunavik Nickel Project, Canadian Royalties Inc. (CRI) Underground Exploitation at Expo West site (3215-14-007)**
 - 2.1. Preliminary information
Task: For discussion, decision
3. **Varia: Makivik corp. request for a permanent observer at KEQC's meetings**
4. Next meeting

