



April 8, 2021

Nunavut Impact Review Board

Attention: Marjorie (Kaviq) Kaluraq, Chairperson and Karen Costello, Executive Director

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Dear Madams:

Re: **Request to Broadcast the Audio/Video feed of the Phase 2 Development Proposal (April 12th to 21st)**

As Canada's first Inuktitut-language Inuit broadcaster Uvagut TV has a unique responsibility to support Inuit constitutional rights to be informed, consulted and listened to as widely as possible using modern media technology.

Uvagut TV remains committed to facilitating wider public access to NIRB proceedings by broadcasting upcoming April hearings live on television and online. Uvagut TV also is committed to rebroadcast live unedited Hearing footage at times more convenient for many community members to watch with regard to work, school, childcare and other commitments.

In 2012, as Formal Intervenors in NIRB's first Baffinland Public Hearings, IsumaTV and NITV urged stronger support for informing and consulting Inuit in Inuktitut through media and submitted 51 video interviews, 22 call-in radio discussions and a multimedia human rights assessment representing a wide range of Inuit points of view.

Since then, with NIRB's collaboration and support, NITV and IsumaTV have filmed, broadcast live and rebroadcast online numerous NIRB public proceedings to continue to support Inuit constitutional rights to be informed and consulted as widely as possible.

In 2021, at NIRB's invitation, after launching Canada's first Inuit TV channel on satellite, cable and online TV in Nunavut and nationally, Uvagut TV broadcast NIRB's Phase 2 Public Hearings live from January 25 to February 6. Wider broadcast technology significantly increased access by Inuit to be informed, and the right of Intervenors to be listened to; however, limited by the live broadcast taking place during the daytime when many people are unable to watch.

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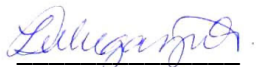
Following adjournment of live Hearings February 6, Uvagut TV received many requests to rebroadcast the live daytime sessions after working hours so more Inuit could be better informed before Public Hearings resumed April 12. Eight Formal Intervenors supported this request to rebroadcast their live daytime Interventions and be available online to be more widely accessible to inform and consult Inuit.

Rebroadcasting live proceedings for wider access to more informed viewers does not violate the privacy of anyone who already consented to be publicly broadcast but is consistent with our past procedures since 2012 and with the NIRB's shared goal to inform and consult Inuit as much as possible using modern media technology.

NITV is requesting permission to broadcast the hearings in April with pre-approval to rebroadcast.

We look forward to your response and should have you any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,



Lucy Tulugarjuk
NITV Executive Director