

APPENDIX J

Marine and Terrestrial Transportation/Communications Corridor Alternative Route Assessment

Applicants wishing to develop a transportation and/or communications corridor in the North Baffin region are required to provide the NPC with the following information:

1. A description of the proposed corridor, including its use, its general routing, the possible environmental and social impacts, and any seasonal considerations that may be appropriate.
2. A comparison of the proposed route with alternative routes in terms of environmental and social factors as well as technical and cost considerations.
3. An assessment of the suitability of the corridor for the inclusion of other possible communication and transportation initiatives (roads, transmission lines, pipelines, etc.). This assessment should include:
 - the environmental, social and terrain engineering consequences, and the cumulative impacts of the project, and
 - the environmental and social impact of the project on nearby settlements or on nearby existing and proposed transportation systems.