

FORM

Preliminary information

PREAMBLE

The James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement (JBNQA), by its chapters 22 and 23, establishes a system of protection for both the natural and social environment in the James Bay and Northern Quebec region. Depending on the type of project, some aspects of these chapters may report under the responsibility of the Government of Canada, or the Government of Québec or both levels of government. Some projects can also be reported under the responsibility of the Cree Nation Government, notably for projects conducted on Category IA lands. Title II of the [Environment Quality Act \(EQA\)](#) presents the environmental and social impact assessment and review procedures applicable in the James Bay region (section 133 of the EQA) and in Northern Quebec (section 168 of the EQA).

The projects mentioned in schedule A of the EQA are subjected to one of the procedures applicable in the Northern environment, contrary to those mentioned in schedule B, which are exempt from the procedures. Projects not outlined in either schedule are considered "grey zone" projects. Anyone who intends to undertake a project in a northern environment covered by schedule A of the EQA must apply for a certificate of authorization. For "grey zone" projects, a proponent must request an attestation of exemption and the Provincial Administrator will confirm to him, after analysis of the project by the northern committee concerned, whether the project is not subject to the [Environmental and social impact assessment and review procedure](#) or if it is subject to it. In the first case, an attestation of exemption will be issued to the proponent for the project and, in the second, a directive will be prepared and sent to him, which will indicate the nature, scope and extent of the impact study he must prepare. Thus, except for the projects listed in schedule B, a proponent must file a preliminary information form with the Provincial Administrator of the JBNQA.

If necessary, it is possible to confirm whether your project corresponds to an activity listed in schedules A and B of the EQA or a "grey zone" by sending an e-mail request for verification of exemption, including a short description of your project, its location and the anticipated impacts at the following email address: dgees-assujettissement@environnement.gouv.qc.ca.

The preliminary information form is used to describe the general characteristics of a project. It must be completed in a clear and concise manner and the information must be limited to the elements that are relevant for a proper understanding of the project, its anticipated impacts, and possible ramifications.

In accordance with the EQA, the preliminary information form is either sent to the Evaluating Committee (COMEV), if the project concerns the region south of the 55th parallel (James Bay), or to the Kativik Environmental Quality Commission (KEQC), if the project concerns the region north of the 55th parallel (Nunavik). These two committees review the preliminary information and, in the case of projects covered by schedule A of the EQA, produce a recommendation on the directive indicating the nature, scope and extent of the study impact that the proponent must prepare. For "grey zone" projects, these committees produce a recommendation (COMEV) or a decision (KEQC) on whether the project is subjected to or exempt from the procedure. These recommendations and decisions are then forwarded to the Provincial Administrator who communicates his decision to the proponent. The proponent may be issued an attestation of exemption for projects that are exempt from the procedure or issued a directive for those subjected to the environmental and social impact assessment and review procedure.

The Evaluating Committee is a tripartite advisory body composed of representatives appointed by the Cree Nation Government and representatives of the Government of Canada and the Government of Quebec. The Kativik Environmental Quality Commission is a bipartite body of Inuit or Naskapi representatives appointed by the Kativik Regional Government and representatives of the Government of Quebec. While performing their duties, both bodies pay particular attention to the following principles, which are outlined in sections 152 and 186 of the EQA:

- a) the protection of the hunting, fishing and trapping rights of the Native people;
- b) the protection of the environment and social milieu;
- c) the protection of the Native people, of their societies, communities and economy;
- d) the protection of the wildlife, of the physical and biological milieu and of the ecological systems of the territory;
- e) the rights and guarantees of the Native people in Category II lands;
- f) the participation of the Crees, Inuit and Naskapis in the application of the environmental and social protection regime provided for in this division;
- g) any rights and interest of non-Native people, and
- h) the right of the persons acting lawfully to carry out projects in the territory.

Also note that the preliminary information form will be published in the [Environmental assessment register](#) (French only) as defined in section 118.5 of the EQA but only for projects for which a directive will be issued. The [COMEUV](#) and [KEQC](#) also publish preliminary information form on their websites.

Since May 2022, the applicant for any authorization must produce, as a condition for the issuance of an authorization, the applicant's declaration of background (déclaration d'antécédents). This declaration replaces the declaration of the applicant. You will find the form to be completed at the following address : <https://www.environnement.gouv.qc.ca/evaluations/declaration-antecedents.pdf> (French only).

The preliminary information form must be accompanied by the payment, charging the proponent for services provided under the environmental authorization system. This payment can be made by check to the ministre des Finances or via bank transfer. Details regarding the applicable rates are available in the [Tarification](#) section (French only) of the environmental assessment web page. It should be noted that the MELCCFP will not process the application until payment is received.

Once completed, the proponent must send its preliminary information form together with a letter of transmission, which must be sent to the JBNQA Provincial Administrator:

- Send the electronic copy of the documents (form and letter of transmission) to reception.30e@environnement.gouv.qc.ca including the Deputy minister (marie-josee.lizotte@environnement.gouv.qc.ca) as well as Vanessa Chalifour, coordinator/team leader for northern projects (vanessa.chalifour@environnement.gouv.qc.ca). The letter of transmission must confirm that the hard copies are consistent with the electronic ones. In case of large electronic documents, please consult the last bullet.

- Send a hard copy of the documents (French) to the Deputy minister office at the following address:

James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement Provincial Administrator
Deputy minister of the Environment, Fight against Climate change, Wildlife and Parks
Édifice Marie-Guyart, 30e étage
675, boul. René-Lévesque Est, boîte 02
Québec (Québec) G1R 5V7

- Send the other hard copies and the USB keys (including the French and English versions) to the Direction de l'évaluation environnementale des projets industriels, miniers, énergétiques et nordiques at the following address:

Mélissa Gagnon, director
Direction de l'évaluation environnementale des projets
industriels, miniers, énergétiques et nordiques
Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques , de la
Faune et des Parcs
Édifice Marie-Guyart, 6e étage, boîte 83
675, boul. René-Lévesque Est
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Projects located south of the 55th parallel (James Bay)

Nine (9) hard copies, including six (6) in French and three (3) in English

Three (3) PDF copies in electronic format

Additional copies may be requested depending on the scope of the project.

Projects located north of the 55th parallel (Northern Quebec/Nunavik)

Fourteen (14) hard copies, including seven (7) in French and seven (7) in English

Three (3) PDF copies in electronic format

Additional copies may be requested depending on the scope of the project.

- If the electronic documents are very large: Inform the Direction de l'évaluation environnementale des projets industriels, miniers, énergétiques et nordiques (vanessa.chalifour@environnement.gouv.qc.ca) and a secure link allowing you to send your documents on the ShareFile platform will be shared with you. This link will be valid for a period of 7 days. Attach the letter of transmission to the email, indicating that the electronic version will be transmitted via the ShareFile platform of the DGÉES.

1. IDENTIFICATION AND COORDINATES OF THE PROPONENT

1.1 Identification of the proponent	
Name : Kativik Regional Government	
Civic address : PO Box 9, Kuujuaq, J0M 1C0	
Postal address (if different from civic address) :	
Name and function of the signatory(s) authorized to submit the application: Véronique Gilbert, assistant director	
Telephone : 819 964-2961	Telephone (other) : -
Email : vgilbert@krg.ca	
1.2 Company number	
Québec enterprise number (NEQ) : 8817058918	
1.3 Resolution of the municipal council, band council, northern village, or responsible body	
If the proponent is a municipality, the preliminary information form is accompanied by the resolution of the municipal council, band council, northern village, or the responsible body duly certified authorizing the signatory(s) of the application to present it. Add a copy of the resolution to appendix I.	
1.4 Identification of the consultant mandated by the proponent (if applicable)	
Name :	
Civic address :	
Postal address (if different from civic address) :	
Telephone :	Telephone (other) :
Email :	
Description of mandate :	

2. GENERAL PRESENTATION OF THE PROJECT

2.1 Project title
Construction of four drop-off points for products under extended producer responsibility (EPR), used tires and Hazardous Household Waste (HHW) in Akulivik, Ivujivik, Aupaluk and Tasiujaq.
2.2 Article of accordance
To verify the accordance of your project, indicate which paragraph of schedule A of the Environment Quality Act your project is subjected to, in your opinion, and why (threshold, for example). Indicate if your project is considered a "grey zone" project, if applicable. Grey zone
2.3 Objectives and justification of the project
These projects are a continuation of the drop-off point pilot projects carried out in 2023 in Kangiqsujuaq and Kangiqsualujjuaq. These projects aim to significantly reduce the quantity of residual materials to be disposed of in northern disposal sites (LEMN).

2.4 Brief description of the project and alternatives

All four sites were chosen for their proximity to the existing road network. With Aupaluk as the exception, the sites were also chosen for their proximity to the LEMNs of the communities to reduce the wear on existing roads when transferring materials. The distance of those three sites from the existing electrical grid will require installation of electric generators to warm up the office building/ensure proper lighting. The electric generator will solely be used on days where the site is open, which is planned on being one day a week. Aupaluk's proximity to the municipal garage should allow the office building and lighting structures to be installed on the existing electrical grid. These areas are small and are located on land plots already impacted by the nearby road. The planned arrangements are the construction of a gravel platform, to ensure stability for the containers and to allow vehicles to circulate on the site.

The four projects are identical to the Kangiqsujuaq/Kangiqsualujjuaq projects. Placement of 7 modified containers will be placed in a leveled graveled area of 21.34 m x15.24 m. The graveled section of the drop-off point shall extend further, giving it a total area of 30.48 m x 21.34 m to ensure proper circulation of vehicles/ snow removal equipment. No deforestation, expropriation, blasting or backfilling activities are planned.

If relevant, add to appendix II all the documents allowing to better understand the characteristics of the project (diagram, sketch, cross-section, etc.).

2.5 Related activities

No related activities are planned.

3. PROJECT LOCATION AND SCHEDULE

3.1 Identification and location of the project and its activities

The 4 projects will be localized in the northern villages of : Akulivik, Ivujivik, Aupaluk, Tasiujaq

Land categories (I, II and III): 1

Geographical coordinates in decimal degrees of the central point of the project (for linear projects provide the coordinates of the project start and end points):

Central point of the project in Akulivik:	Latitude: 60.824867 Longitude: -78.166625
Central point of the project in Ivujivik:	Latitude: 62.406693 Longitude: -77.927014
Central point of the project in Aupaluk:	Latitude: 59.307490 Longitude: -69.604189
Central point of the project in Tasiujaq:	Latitude: 58.708790 Longitude: -69.933892

3.2 Description of the project site

The four sites are located near LEMNs to enable proper sorting of products under EPR, used tires and Hazardous Household Waste, without access to the electrical grid, with the exception of the Aupaluk site. As the proposed sites are already impacted by the presence of the road network, the project will not be in an environment with significant biological or cultural characteristics. These are not wetlands, and the topography is relatively flat to reduce development costs. In all cases, the projects take place on Category I land and must be approved by the local landholding corporation, as well as the northern village. Building permit applications are being prepared. The sites were chosen by the northern villages.

3.3 Project schedule

The construction stages of the projects must take place during the summer and fall of 2024. The containers and storage equipment will be delivered on the first boat, in July 2024. The development of the sites will therefore be carried out in June 2024 to make sure they are ready to receive the equipment in July. The equipment will be installed and operational in August or September 2024. The site has a long-term vocation and it will be used continuously in the long term.

3.4 Location plan

Add to appendix III a topographic or cadastral map showing the location of the project and, if applicable, a plan for the location of development or activities on an appropriate scale indicating any existing infrastructure and its relation to the proposed work site.

4. INFORMATION AND CONSULTATION ACTIVITIES OF THE PUBLIC, ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES AND USERS OF THE TERRITORY

4.1 Information and consultation activities carried out

The project was developed in partnership with the concerned northern villages because the infrastructure will belong to them, and they will be the managers. In short, although the KRG submits this request and actively collaborates in the implementation of the projects, as regional planners in residual materials management, these are local projects carried out by local administrations. If these projects are moving forward, it is because they are supported by the northern villages who want their implementation to help them improve the management of residual materials on their territory, a competency that falls to them.

4.2 Information and consultation activities planned during the environmental and social impact assessment procedure

Several information and awareness activities are planned as part of the development of these projects to inform the population of the new practices that they will have to adopt. In fact, these projects require significant changes in the habits of residents and organizations who will have to sort their hazardous materials. Residents will need to adjust to the opening hours of the drop-off points and familiarize themselves with the accepted materials.

5. DESCRIPTION OF THE MAIN ISSUES¹ AND IMPACTS OF THE PROJECT ON THE RECEIVING ENVIRONMENT

5.1 Description of the main issues of the project

No specific issue is envisaged as the choice of sites was determined by the northern village and the work to be carried out is minimal.

5.2 Description of the main anticipated impacts of the project on the receiving environment

For the four projects, no impacts are anticipated on the receiving environment, because the infrastructures will comply with environmental regulations.

No mitigation and/or restoration measures are planned since the projects will not generate environmental impacts. The materials will be deposited in secured containers and ultimately shipped down to their respective Re-use sites.

6. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION

6.1 Greenhouse gas emission

¹ Issue: A major concern for the government, the scientific community, or the population, including the impacted indigenous communities, and whose analysis could influence the recommendations or decisions of the northern committees regarding the authorization or refusal of a project.

Chemicals are sealed in anaerobic environments to prevent their gasification. A minimal amount of emissions will be produced by the electric generator during operating hours

7. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

7.1 Other relevant information

Enter any other information deemed necessary for a better understanding of the project.

8. DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

8.1 Declaration and signature
<p><i>I certify that :</i></p> <p><i>1° the documents and information provided in this preliminary information form are accurate to the best of my knowledge.</i></p> <p><i>Any misrepresentation may result in sanctions under the EQA. All information provided will form an integral part of the application and will be published on the website of the Evaluating Committee (COMEV) or the Kativik Environmental Quality Commission (KEQC) and the Environmental assessment register.</i></p>
First and last name
Véronique Gilbert
Signature
Date

Appendix I
Resolution of The KRG

KATIVIK REGIONAL GOVERNMENT
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Resolution No. 2019-500

Concerning authorization for the Renewable Resources, Environment, Lands and Parks (RREL) Department Director and Assistant Director to request certificates of authorization and transmit the required preliminary information to the Ministère de l'Environnement et de la Lutte aux changements climatiques du Québec (MELCC).

- Whereas** pursuant to Section 53.7 of the *Environment Quality Act* (CQLR, c. Q-2) and to By-law No. 2015-01 adopted by the Council on February 23, 2015, the Kativik Regional Government (KRG) adopted a management plan for residual materials in the Kativik region;
- Whereas** the KRG has entered into many agreements with Governments for the carrying out of different projects within the framework of the above-mentioned management plan for residual materials;
- Whereas** pursuant to section 22 of the *Environment Quality Act* (CQLR, c. Q-2), no one may, without first obtaining an authorization from the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks (the Minister), carry out a project involving the establishment and operation of a residual materials elimination facility or a residual materials reclamation facility, including any storage or treatment of such materials for the purpose of reclaiming them;
- Whereas** pursuant to section 189 of the *Environment Quality Act*, save for specific exemption, no person may undertake or carry out any project in the Kativik Region until the application of the assessment and review procedure or alternatively an attestation of exemption from the assessment and review procedure has been issued by the Minister and a certificate of authorization or attestation has been issued by the Minister;
- Whereas** pursuant to section 190 of the *Environment Quality Act*, the proponent of a project outlined above must transmit to the Minister the required preliminary information in order to obtain the certificate of authorization or attestation contemplated in section 189;
- Whereas** the RREL Department Director and Assistant Director are likely to be involved with projects carried out under the management plan for residual materials, which will require carrying out the above-mentioned requests to the Minister;
- Whereas** for efficiency purposes, it is deemed advisable to authorize the RREL Department Director and Assistant Director to present requests for certificates of authorization and transmit the required preliminary information to the MELCC on behalf of the KRG for projects carried out under the management plan for residual materials.

It is therefore resolved that:

1. the preamble be an integral part of this resolution;
2. the RREL Department Director and Assistant Director be authorized to request certificates of authorization and transmit the required preliminary information to the MELCC on behalf of the KRG for projects carried out under the management plan for residual materials;
3. the Secretary be authorized to sign any and all documents required to implement this resolution;

4. this resolution comes into effect on the day of its adoption.

MOVED BY:	Hilda Snowball
SECONDED BY:	Jennifer Munick
IN FAVOUR:	3
OPPOSED:	0
ABSTENTIONS:	0
ABSENTEES:	2
DATE OF ADOPTION:	December 19, 2019
VICE-CHAIRPERSON'S SIGNATURE:	(S) Hilda Snowball
SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE:	(S) Ina Gordon



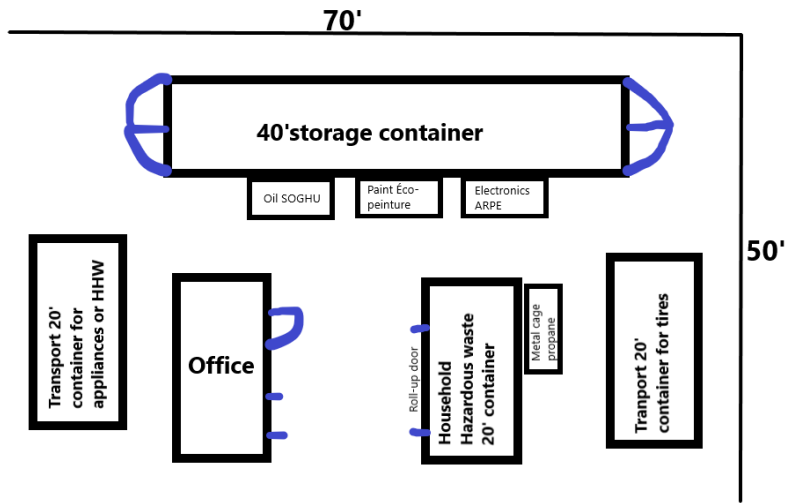
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BY: Ina Gordon

DATE: Dec 20, 2019

Appendix II Project characteristics

If relevant, insert below documents to better understand the characteristics of the project (diagram, sketch, cross-section, etc.).



Example of a site during construction Kangiqsujuaq

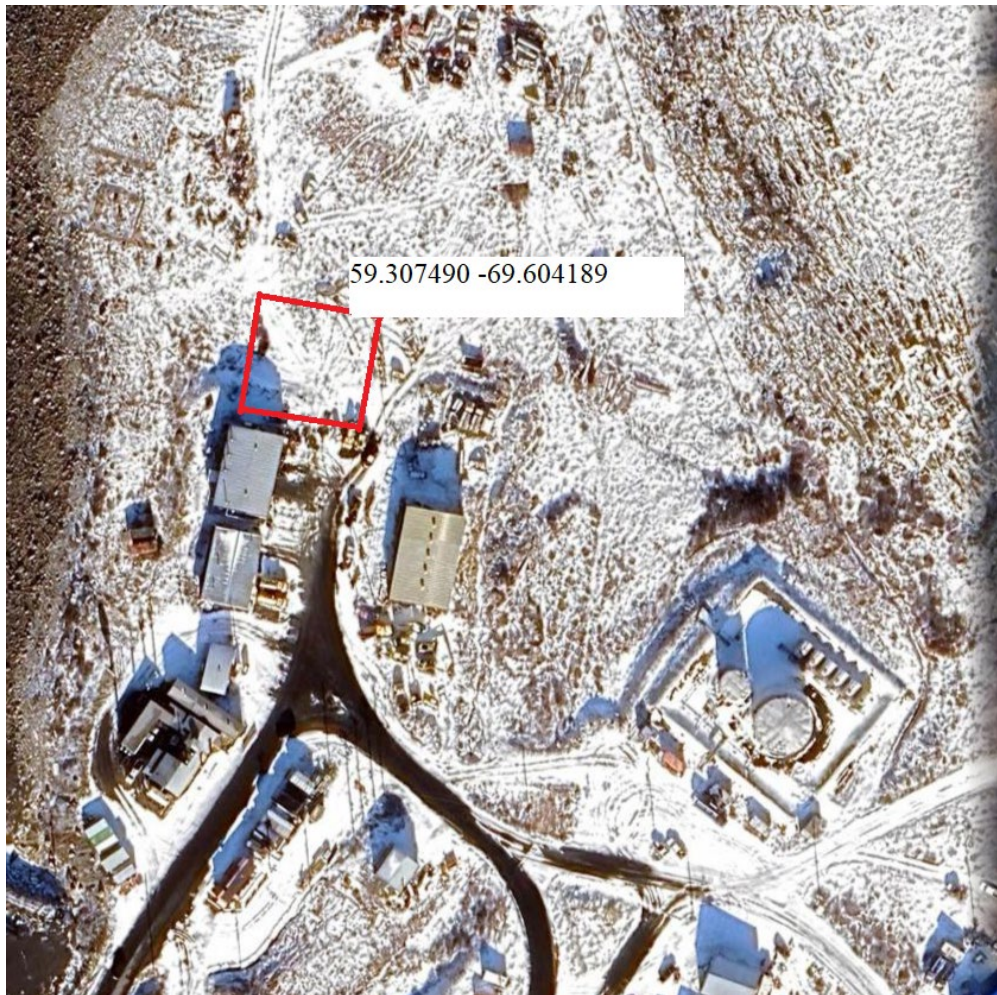


Appendix III
Location plan

Ivujivik site location



Aupaluk Site Location



Akulivik Site Location



Tasiujaq Site Location

