

**Avatangiisinut Pinngortitamullu Pisortaqarfik**  
**Direktoratet for Miljø og Natur**  
Department for Environment and Nature



Hearing on Strategic Environmental Assessment in connection  
with the aluminum project

Hereby is issued into public hearing a summary of the strategic environmental report (SEA 2007 report) in connection with the projected aluminum project with ALCOA, including the hydroelectric power plants and transmission lines belonging to it.

As stated below it has not yet been decided if the aluminum smelter itself is to be sited at Sisimiut, Maniitsoq or at Nuuk.

**Hearing time limit is Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2008.**

Hearing responses are forwarded to:  
Chairman of the SEA-group  
Klaus Georg Hansen  
Department for Environment and Nature  
P. O. Box 1614  
DK-3900 Nuuk

Hearing responses are as far as possible asked to be send **electronically** to [KGHa@gh.gl](mailto:KGHa@gh.gl).

The whole report (about 370 pages) can be downloaded from [www.aluminium.gl/smv](http://www.aluminium.gl/smv) . It is available in Greenlandic, Danish and English. Besides there are various background reports (though only in Danish) which can also be downloaded.

In the introduction to the summary it is explained what a SEA is and how it relates to the later EIA reviews (Environmental Impact Assessment) that will be prepared when siting of the aluminum smelter facility, hydroelectric power plants and transmission lines has been decided.

If the reports are wanted by mail, inquire to Klaus Georg Hansen, [KGHa@gh.gl](mailto:KGHa@gh.gl).

On the enclosed list the hearing parties are stated. You are welcome to suggest other hearing parties if you find someone is missing. You can also obtain hearing responses yourself from relevant parties and incorporate them into your own hearing response. In such a case you are asked to state who has been heard.

11.12.2007  
All./Brev nr.

Postboks 1614  
3900 Nuuk  
Oq/tel +299 34 67 01  
Fax +299 32 52 86  
App-dmn@gh.gl  
[www.nanoq.gl/dmn](http://www.nanoq.gl/dmn)

Greenland Tourist- and Industrial Board, KNAPK and TPAK are kindly asked to arrange this letter of hearing with enclosed documents to relevant tourist operators and branches in the three towns respectively.

Moreover, a press release submitted December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007 is enclosed.

In week 2 and 3 of January 2008 civic meetings will be held in all three towns. At the civic meetings the SEA-group, ALCOA and Greenland Development will furthermore brief about time schedule and the further work with the project.

At the civic meetings there will be an opportunity to give comments and suggestions about the project on the basis of the SEA report. Concrete comments and remarks will be taken as hearing responses and to a relevant extent be included in the final version of the report.

Later, further information about the civic meetings in the three towns will be submitted.

On [www.aluminium.gl](http://www.aluminium.gl) you can read more about the project itself. Here you can also download "Review of energy intensive industry in Greenland" which was presented by the Home Rule Government to the Home Rule Parliament at the spring parliament meeting 2007. The review was widely supported in the parliament.

For your further information, the Home Rule Government expects to present a proposal for decision at the Home Rule Parliament spring meeting about whether to site the smelter facility at Sisimiut, Maniitsoq or at Nuuk. Furthermore it is expected that the Home Rule Parliament at the same time take a fundamental position on the structure of ownership for the hydroelectric power plants and the smelter facility.

Ikinngutinnersumik inuulluaqqusillunga  
Kind regards

Klaus Georg Hansen  
Chairman of the SEA-group