

forthcoming; therefore the NIRB will await receipt of this submission prior to finalizing the guidelines. The submission to be posted on NIRB's public registry once received. The Board will continue to update the Revised *Draft* Guidelines based on the input received to date, and anticipates issuing the Final EIS Guidelines to the Proponent in the coming weeks.

The NIRB appreciates the efforts of all parties in providing the Board with timely and constructive comments toward the development of EIS Guidelines for the Back River Project. If you have any questions regarding the NIRB's Review of the Back River Project, please contact the undersigned directly at tarko@nirb.ca or (867) 983-4611.

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