



NIRB File No.: 12MN036

May 10, 2017

To: Back River Distribution List

Sent via email

Re: Confirmation of the upcoming Technical Meeting related to the NIRB's Review of Sabina Gold & Silver Corporation's Final Environmental Impact Statement Addendum for the "Back River Gold Mine Project" proposal

Dear Parties:

On February 23, 2017 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) initiated the public technical review period for Sabina Gold & Silver Corporation's (Sabina or Proponent) Final Environmental Impact Statement Addendum (FEIS Addendum), submitted by Sabina to supplement the NIRB's further Review of Sabina's "Back River Gold Mine Project" proposal (Back River Project, NIRB File No. 12MN036). The NIRB requested that parties review the FEIS Addendum and submit final written submissions to the NIRB by April 24, 2017. The NIRB also requested within the correspondence that parties identify their interest in taking part in a Technical Meeting via teleconference following the technical review period. Based on the feedback received from the Proponent and interested parties, the NIRB is confirming that the Technical Meeting **will be held via teleconference on May 24, 2017**.

The objective of the Technical Meeting will be to clarify technical issues in the FEIS Addendum, and to facilitate informal discussions between the Proponent and interested parties on technical matters related to the Back River Project proposal. The Technical Meeting will be kept as informal as possible in an effort to resolve or clarify technical issues prior to the Final Hearing. This meeting will be facilitated by NIRB staff, with participation by the Proponent, responsible authorities, and interested parties.

Further details on the arrangements to be made for the Technical Meeting along with a draft agenda will be circulated by the NIRB in the coming days. Parties will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the ordering of discussion items prior to finalizing the agenda.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification regarding the next steps in the Board's assessment of the Back River Project proposal, please contact the undersigned at (867) 983-4615 or dstpierre@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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