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Subject: Notice of Part 4 Screening for Sabina's Mine Project Proposal

Attachments: 080207-08MN006-Notice of Part 4 Screening-OT4E.pdf; 080207-08MN006-Comment Form-OT4E.doc

Dear Mr. Brantley,

On January 21, 2008 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received the Hackett River Mine project proposal from Sabina Silver Corporation (Sabina). On February 5, 2008 the NIRB received correspondence from the Nunavut Water Board acknowledging Sabina's Type 'A' Water License Application, as well as an Application for a Land Use Permit from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada. NIRB has assigned this project proposal file number 08MN006.

The proposed project is a mine development located in the West Kitikmeot Region.

Please see attached correspondence regarding the project proposal.

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from NIRB's ftp site at http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb/NIRB_SCREENINGS/ACTIVE_SCREENINGS/08MN006-Sabina%20Silver%20Corporation/.

Pursuant to Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), NIRB shall proceed to screen the subject Project Proposal. The NIRB may request additional information at any time during the process. NIRB will copy you on screening process-related correspondence and will also upload related documents to the above ftp site for Public access.

The NIRB is copying interested Parties and municipalities most affected by Sabina's Hackett River project proposal with this letter, and we invite interested persons to comment directly to the NIRB by February 28, 2008.

NIRB would like Parties to provide comments regarding:

- Whether the project proposal is likely to arouse significant public concern; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic effects; and if so, why;
- Whether the project is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (please provide any recommended mitigation measures); and
- Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

Please send your comments to the attention of NIRB's Manager of Environmental Administration, Leslie Payette, at lpayette@nirb.ca.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the undersigned at 867-983-4618 or ahanson@nirb.ca.

Best regards,

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