

NIRB File No. 08MN006

April 7, 2009

Mr. Tony Walsh President and CEO Sabina Silver Corporation #202 – 930 West 1st Street North Vancouver, BC V7P 3N4

Re: <u>Finalized Guidelines for the Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for the Part 5 Review of Sabina Silver Corporation's Hackett River Project</u>

Dear Mr. Walsh:

The attached guidelines are issued by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (the NIRB or Board) for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) by Sabina Silver Corporation (the Proponent) for the Part 5 Review of the Hackett River Project. Pursuant to Section 12.5.2 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement, it is the responsibility of the Proponent to prepare an EIS in accordance with any guidelines established by the NIRB. The EIS developed in accordance with these guidelines will serve as the basis for the NIRB's review of the Project, and will enable the Board and any interested party to understand and assess the potential for Project-related environmental and socio-economic effects.

The NIRB respectfully requests that you review the attached guidelines and supply the Board with an anticipated date for the submission of an EIS at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the NIRB's Technical Advisor, Amanda Hanson, at (867) 983-4615 or via email at ahanson@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Autut Executive Director

Nunavut Impact Review Board

Cc: Honourable Chuck Strahl (strahl.c@parl.gc.ca)

Hackett River Distribution List

Attachment: Final EIS Guidelines for the Hackett River Project – NIRB File No. 08MN006