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Sent via email: michel.boucher@glencore-ca.com

Re: <u>Update Requested on Anticipated Date of Submission of the Draft Environmental</u> <u>Impact Statement for the Hackett River Project</u>

Dear Michel Boucher,

As you are aware, on April 7, 2009 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) issued the *Guidelines to the Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement* to Sabina Gold & Silver Corporation for the Hackett River Project (NIRB File No. 08MN006). In correspondence received by the NIRB from Xstrata Zinc Canada (Xstrata; now Glencore Canada Corporation or Glencore) on March 16, 2012 you indicated that Xstrata had assumed ownership of the Hackett River Project and further, that Xstrata intended to submit a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) in the second quarter of 2013. On October 7, 2013 the NIRB requested an update with respect to Glencore's proposed submission date for the DEIS, and received an additional project update on December 20, 2013 indicating a projected submission date of December 23, 2014.

To assist with our planning, the NIRB requests that Glencore confirm that the previously supplied anticipated date for submission of the DEIS for the Hackett River Project, December 2014, remains accurate. The NIRB respectfully requests that Glencore provide a response by **September 30, 2014**.

Please submit forthcoming correspondence to our office via email to <u>info@nirb.ca</u>, or via fax to (867) 983-2594.

If you have any questions or require clarification regarding the NIRB's Review of the Hackett River Project, please contact me directly at (867) 983-4611 or tarko@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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