

October 26, 2012

Scott Trusler Environmental Permitting Lead MMG Minerals and Metals Group 2600-1177 West Hastings St. Vancouver, BC, V6E 2K3

Sent via email: scott.trusler@mmg.com

Re: <u>Application Pending NPC Conformity Determination and Referral from an</u>
Authorizing Agency for MMG Resources Inc.'s "Izok Corridor Project" Proposal

Dear Scott Trusler:

On September 5, 2012 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) acknowledged receipt of Minerals and Metals Group's (MMG) "Izok Corridor Project" proposal and indicated that the NIRB required a positive conformity determination from the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) and a referral for screening from an authorizing agency prior to the Board proceeding to screen the project proposal in accordance with Article 12, Part 4 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). Given the lapse of time since MMG's submission of this project proposal to the NIRB, the Board felt it necessary to remind MMG, the NPC and applicable authorizing agencies that additional supporting materials must be provided before the NIRB can commence screening.

The NIRB conducts screening (environmental impact assessment) of project proposals upon referral from Government departments/agencies and Regional Inuit Associations responsible for authorizing works or activities associated with the proposed project; it is the Proponent's responsibility to apply for all authorizations and approvals required to carry out the proposed project. Although MMG has provided draft applications within its project proposal for several required authorizations and approvals, to date none of the associated applications have been forwarded to the NIRB by an authorizing agency with a request for screening. Please be advised that screening of the "Izok Corridor Project" proposal cannot commence until an authorizing agency provides the NIRB with acknowledgement of an associated application and a referral for screening.

Once the NIRB receives a positive conformity determination from the NPC and a referral for screening from an authorizing agency, the Board will initiate screening of this project proposal in accordance with Article 12, Part 4 of the NLCA. If you have any questions or require additional

clarification please contact the undersigned directly at (867) 793-4633 or via email at sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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