

File: 2AM-MRY1325

September 14, 2018

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RE: Licence No. 2AM-MRY1325 Type "A"; Mary River Project, Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation; Application for Licence Amendment

Dear Ms. Lord-Hoyle:

On August 22, 2018, the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or the Board) received an application by Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (BIMC or the Licensee) for an amendment of Licence No. 2AM-MRY1325 (the Licence) issued to BIMC for the Mary River Project (the Project). The application package included various technical support documentation. In addition, on September 10, 2018, BIMC requested that NWB and the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) conduct a partially coordinated review.

NWB conducted an internal completeness check of the application package and noted a number of deficiencies. BIMC is requested to address the following issues:

- 1. The links provided in Part D, Part 1, Attachment 3, Table 2, items 19b and 22 don't lead to any files on the Baffinland website;
- 2. The Compliance Report (Part D, Part 9, Attachment 14) does not have time commitments to fix non-compliances; and
- 3. Part D (the master file for the package) submitted on September 5, 2018 is outdated and should be requested to be deleted from the registry and potentially replaced with an updated version.

NWB is aware that NIRB communicated to BIMC the list of outstanding items required for the reconsideration of the project certificate. By way of this letter, NWB would like to take this opportunity to outline the deficiencies in the application for Licence amendment and will appreciate BIMC's clarifications regarding the above-stated items.

Copies of all documents received as part of the application can be accessed through NWB's Public Registry and FTP site using the following Link:

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Sincerely,

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