

September 14th, 2010

Mr. Ryan Barry
Director, Technical Services
Nunavut Impact Review Board
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RE: NIRB 08MN053: Comment Request for Baffinland's Mary River Project "Road Haulage Option".

Mr. Barry,

After discussing with key representatives from the Government of Nunavut, some GN staff expressed concerns about being able to provide the NIRB with comments on October 1st. Due to prior commitments made on reviewing the Nunavut Land Use Plan, employees at DOE that would provide NIRB with comments on Baffinland's Mary River Project "Road Haulage Option" are already engaged in working on the NLUP file, the next couple of weeks being crucial.

The Government of Nunavut really appreciates the opportunity to present comments on this file. I would like to know if, exceptionally, additional time for providing GN coordinated comments would be possible. Would an extension to October 14th be reasonable to NIRB?

I would like to thank you in advance for considering this exceptional request.

Regards,

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