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Dear Ms. Autut:

Thank you for your letter dated October 19, 2010 in response to the Baffinland Iron Mines letter dated September 7, 2010 outlining our intent to include the road haulage option as a preferred alternative in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS).

After review of your letter and responses from the “communities of interest” Baffinland will evaluate the road haulage option as an alternative pursuant to sub-section 6.1 of the Guidelines. Since the road haulage option has certain merits, we will undertake and assess its interactions with the environment and evaluate the potential environmental and socio economic effects, however we do not consider the road haulage option as the preferred alternative at this time. Our intention is to submit the DEIS on December 20, 2010.

Should you have any further questions please feel free to contact the undersigned or Matthew Pickard, Manager of Sustainable Development at 416-814-3963.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'William Napier'.

William Napier
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