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Re: Request for Extension for Information Requests for the Mary River Project

Transport Canada (TC) is currently in the process of reviewing the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.'s Mary River project as requested by NIRB in your February 15th, 2011 letter. TC is responsible for transportation policies and programs that promote a safe transportation system, ensuring that they work effectively and in an integrated manner.

Due to the extensiveness of the DEIS, TC deems the 30 day review period an inadequate amount of time to fully review and provide the necessary information requests to the Board.

Transport Canada is respectfully requesting the Nunavut Impact Review Board to consider extending the submission request deadline from March 17th, 2011 to March 31st, 2011. Should you have any questions pertaining to these comments, please contact me via email at christopher.aguirre@tc.gc.ca or by telephone at (204) 984-2615

Regards,

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