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Subject: Information Requests from Environment Canada Regarding the Mary River Iron Ore Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Mary River Project and is submitting the attached information requests in response to the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB) February $15^{\rm th}$ 2011 letter. However, as noted in the joint DFO – EC letter submitted on March $8^{\rm th}$ 2011 and Transport Canada's letter of March $14^{\rm th}$ 2011, there was insufficient time to carry out a complete review of the draft EIS and therefore it is likely that EC will identify additional information gaps as the technical review proceeds.

Should you have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact Mark Dahl at mark.dahl@ec.gc.ca (204-983-4815).

Sincerely,

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