

NIRB File No. 08MN053

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Sent via email: cohn@isuma.ca; zkunuk@isuma.ca

Re: <u>Direction from the NIRB Regarding IsumaTV Request to Film Upcoming Final Hearing for Baffinland's Mary River Project Proposal in Iqaluit and Igloolik</u>

Dear Norm Cohn and Zacharias Kunuk:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) has now considered the request you submitted to the Board on July 1, 2012 on behalf of IsumaTV (the Applicant) to film the Final Hearings – both Technical Hearings and Community Roundtables – scheduled for Iqaluit and Igloolik later this month as part of the NIRB's Review of Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.'s Mary River project proposal (NIRB File No. 08MN053). As the Board's Rules of Procedure do not address this issue, the Board convened a special meeting to consider this matter and has asked me to convey the NIRB's resulting direction. At the outset, the Board supports the objective of ensuring that there is a full and fair historical record of the proceedings that is readily accessible to all. However, the Board is also concerned with ensuring that the participants at the Final Hearing are not unduly limited in their willingness and ability to participate fully if the filming should become intrusive or disruptive.

On this basis, the NIRB consents to the filming, as requested, of the Final Hearing proceedings in Iqaluit and Igloolik, including both Technical Hearings and Community Roundtable sessions, in compliance with the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The Applicant will film using only a single camera with no special lighting.
- 2. At each venue, the Applicant's camera will be placed in a single location upon consultation with the NIRB staff. The camera location must be fixed and will not be permitted to be moving when the Final Hearing is in session.
- 3. The Applicant will make all best efforts to ensure the filming is not disruptive, intrusive or otherwise interfering with the ability of participants in the Final Hearing to participate as they choose to.

- 4. The Applicant will only film when the Final Hearing is in session. There will be no filming in the Hearing room during breaks, recesses or other adjournments.
- 5. In the interests of ensuring that the public has access to this record of the proceedings in its entirety, the Applicant will provide the NIRB, all parties at the Final Hearing and members of the public with the means to access a full, unedited copy of the recordings made by the Applicant.

Further, the Board also advises the parties to the Final Hearing that any party intending to present confidential information and thereby wishing to be excluded from filming must identify the speaker who proposes to present the information and the factual basis supporting the claim for confidentiality to the Board at least 24 hours before they intend to present such information, and if the Board determines that the evidence to be presented is confidential information, the Applicant will <u>not</u> be permitted to film the presentation of such information.

Please note that failure to comply with the Board's directions may result in the NIRB revoking or restricting its consent to filming these proceedings.

Should you have questions regarding the Board's directions in this regard, please contact Amanda Hanson, Director of Technical Services at (867) 983-4615 or via email at ahanson@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

Ryan Barry

Executive Director

Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Erik Madsen, Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation

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