

December 10, 2012

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via Email to: info@nirb.ca

Re: Scheduling of a Project Certificate Workshop for Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.'s Mary River Project

Dear Mr. Barry,

In regards to the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB) decision on December 5, 2012 to schedule the Project Certificate Workshop for Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.'s Mary River Project on December 18th and 19th, 2012 in Iqaluit, the Government of Nunavut respectfully requests that the NIRB reschedule the Workshop to a later date.

The Government of Nunavut appreciates that the NIRB is proceeding with the Workshop to give effect to the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development's decision of December 3, 2012 to accept the NIRB's Final Hearing Report. However, given the approaching holiday season, many GN officials who are directly involved in the regulatory process will have difficulty attending the workshop, as well the current schedule does not allow sufficient preparation time for all parties.

The Government of Nunavut suggests that the week of January 21st, 2013 will provide sufficient time for all regulatory agencies and organizations to prepare for and to attend the Workshop.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact our Avatilirinirq (Environmental) Coordinator, Agnes Simonfalvy at 867 975 7830 or by email to asimonfavly@gov.nu.ca

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