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To: Mary River Distribution List

Sent via email

Re: Extension to Comment Period for Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.'s Mary River Project 2013 Annual Monitoring Report

Dear Parties:

As previously noted in correspondence sent on April 10, 2014 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) requested comments on Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.'s (Baffinland) *Mary River Project 2013 Annual Monitoring Report*. The NIRB further provided notice to this distribution list on May 7, 2014 that additional information was forthcoming from Baffinland, and that once the complete information had been received, confirmation of this as well as an extension to the comment period would be communicated.

Please be advised that on April 15, 2014 and May 14, 2014 the NIRB received additional information relating to this report, which included new and revised appendices as well as documents provided in manageable sized files (i.e. <5MB).

The entire submission of Baffinland's *Mary River Project 2013 Annual Monitoring Report* is now available for review from the NIRB's public registry at the following location:

http://ftp.nirb.ca/03-MONITORING/08MN053-MARY%20RIVER%20IRON%20MINE/03-ANNUAL%20REPORTS/02-PROPONENT/2013/01-REPORT/

As previously committed, and owing to the additional information received for review, the NIRB hereby extends the deadline for parties to submit comments to **Friday June 13, 2014**. Parties are encouraged to submit comments to the NIRB with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise by on the following:

1) Effects monitoring

a. Whether the conclusions reached by Baffinland in the *Mary River Project 2013 Annual Monitoring Report* are valid; and

b. Any areas of significance requiring further studies.

In addition, the NIRB is requesting that authorizing agencies and Government departments provide comments and/or information with respect to the following:

2) Compliance Monitoring

- a. Provide any compliance monitoring and/or site inspection reports to the NIRB including the following information:
 - i. How the authorizing agency has incorporated the terms and conditions from the Project Certificate into their permits, certificates, licences or other government approvals, where applicable;
 - ii. A summary of any inspections conducted during the 2013 reporting period, and the results of these inspections; and
 - iii. A summary of Baffinland's compliance status with regard to authorizations that have been issued for the Project.

Please send all forthcoming submissions to info@nirb.ca or via fax to 867-983-2594 by June 13, 2014.

Should you have any questions or require clarification on this or other matters related to the NIRB's monitoring of the Mary River Project, please contact the undersigned at (867) 983-4615 or by email at ahanson@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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