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To: Mary River Distribution List

Sent via email

Re: Comment Request for Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.'s Mary River Project 2014 Annual Monitoring Report

Dear Parties:

On March 31, 2015 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation's (Baffinland) *Mary River Project 2014 Annual Monitoring Report*. In accordance with the amended Mary River Project Certificate [No. 005] issued by the NIRB in May 28, 2014, Baffinland is required to report annually to the NIRB on activities undertaken with respect to the Mary River Project.

The *Mary River Project 2014 Annual Monitoring Report* is 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/2014/01-REPORT/>

As per Section 12.7 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) and the Mary River Project Certificate, the NIRB's monitoring program focuses on compliance and effects monitoring. The NIRB requests that interested parties review the *Mary River Project 2014 Annual Monitoring Report* and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise by **June 24, 2015** on the following:

- 1) Effects monitoring
 - a. Whether the conclusions reached by Baffinland in the *Mary River Project 2014 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 2014 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 24, 2015**.

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 directly at (867) 983-4603 or by email at samuno@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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