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To: Mary River Distribution List

*Sent via email*

**Re: Comment Request for Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.'s Mary River Project 2018 Annual Monitoring Report**

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Dear Parties:

On March 31, 2019 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation's (Baffinland) *Mary River Project 2018 Annual Monitoring Report* as required by the amended Mary River Project Certificate No. 005. The report is available for review from the NIRB's online public registry at [www.nirb.ca/project/123910](http://www.nirb.ca/project/123910).

Within the Documents Tab of the Project Dashboard, the target documents can be accessed from the 'Annual Reports' document category or by searching with the following Document ID numbers 324120 through to 324122.

As per Section 12.7.3 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement)*, s. 135(4) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14 (*NuPPAA*), and the amended Mary River Project Certificate, the NIRB's monitoring program focuses on compliance and effects monitoring. The NIRB requests that interested parties review the *2018 Annual Report* and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise by **May 10, 2019** on the following:

- 1) Effects monitoring
  - a. Whether the conclusions reached by Baffinland in the *Mary River Project 2018 Annual Monitoring Report* are valid; and
  - b. Any areas of significance requiring further supporting information or any changes to the monitoring program which may be required.

In addition, the NIRB is requesting that regulatory authorities also provide comments and/or information associated with their respective mandate and jurisdiction, with respect to the following:

2) Compliance Monitoring

- a. Provide a summary of any compliance monitoring and/or site inspections undertaken in association with the Project, including specifically:
  - i. Identify the terms and conditions from the amended Project Certificate which have been incorporated into any permits, certificates, licenses or other approvals issued for the Project, where applicable;
  - ii. A summary of any inspections conducted during the 2018 reporting period, and the results of these inspections; and
  - iii. A summary of Baffinland's compliance status with regards to authorizations that have been issued for the Project.

Please send all forthcoming submissions directly to the NIRB via email at [info@nirb.ca](mailto:info@nirb.ca).

Should you have any questions or require clarification on this comment request 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](mailto:samuno@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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