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**NWB File No: 2AM-MRY----**

October 10, 2012

Erik Madsen Vice-President Sustainable Development, Health, Safety & Environment Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation 120 Adelaide Street West, Suite 1016 Toronto, Ontario M5H 1T1

Email: erik.madsen@baffinland.com

Re: Date of and Proposed Agenda for the Preliminary Technical Meeting for Type 'A" Water Licence Application 2AM-MRY----, Mary River Project

## Dear Erik Madsen:

Further to Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) correspondence<sup>1</sup> in which interested parties were invited to provide the Board with comments concerning the proposed date for the NWB's Preliminary Technical Meeting planned for the Mary River Project Type A water licence application, the Board has received comments from five interested parties.<sup>2</sup> The link to the submitted comments is as follows:

ftp://nunavutwaterboard.org/1%20PRUC/2%20MINING%20MILLING/2A/2AM%20-%20Mining/2AM-MRY----%20BIMC/2%20ADMIN/3%20SUBMISSIONS/

Based on the submissions received, none of the parties expressed objections about the date proposed for the meeting. Therefore, the Board has decided to schedule the meeting for the date indicated in its September 25, 2012 correspondence. By copy of this letter, the NWB is inviting interested parties to participate in the meeting, which will be held by way of a teleconference, on **October 18, 2012** from **7:00 a.m.** – **2:00 p.m.**, **Mountain Standard Time (MTS)**. Although the NWB will endeavor to conclude the meeting within the scheduled timeframe, parties are asked to be prepared to accommodate any slight variation in the overall time allotted for the meeting as it might be necessary to satisfactorily capture the issues that interveners may need to discuss during the meeting.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Letter to E.Madsen, Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (BIMC), from D. Hohnstein, Nunavut Water Board (NWB), Re: Preliminary Technical Meeting for Type 'A" Water Licence Application 2AM-MRY----, Mary River Project, dated September 25, 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) – Water Resources Division, October 5, 2012; Environment Canada (EC), October 9, 201; Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) October 5, 2012; the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB), September 3, 2012; and the Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA), October 5, 2012.

The Board has included as an attachment to this letter, a copy of the proposed agenda for the Mary River Project Preliminary Technical Meeting. The NWB requests that interested parties provide comments on the agenda by <a href="Moctober 15">October 15</a>, 2012 to the Manager of Licensing at <a href="mailto:licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org">licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org</a>. Together with the comments provided for the agenda or in separate correspondence, parties should indicate to the Board the number of participants and names of their representatives who will be participating in the meeting. The NWB will release the final version of the agenda and the list of all participants in advance of the meeting.

In addition, parties should note that Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (BIMC) has indicated that it will provide responses to interveners' technical review comments by October 12, 2012.

Should you have any inquiries on technical matters related to the above, please contact Sean Joseph, Technical Advisor, at (604) 321-8185 or by email to <a href="mailto:sjoseph@nunavutwaterboard.org">sjoseph@nunavutwaterboard.org</a>, or David Hohnstein, Director of Technical Services, at (780) 443-4406 or by email to <a href="mailto:dts@nunavutwaterboard.org">dts@nunavutwaterboard.org</a>. For any procedural inquiries and/or requests for information, please contact Phyllis Beaulieu, Manager of Licensing, at 867-360-6338 or by email to <a href="mailto:licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org">licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org</a>.

Sincerely,

## Original signed by:

David Hohnstein, C.E.T. Director of Technical Services Nunavut Water Board

Attachments: Proposed Agenda for the Mary River Project Preliminary Technical Meeting.

Cc: Mary River Project Distribution List



## PROPOSED AGENDA

## Mary River Project Preliminary Technical Meeting

NWB File No.: 2AM-MRY----Date: October 18, 2012

**Time:** 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. MST

**Location:** Teleconference

- 1. Welcome and Introductions (15 minutes)
- 2. NWB Opening Remarks (15 minutes)
- 3. Information Request (IRs) and Responses for the Type A Water Licence Application Accompanying the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Mary River Project (approximately 15 minutes per Intervener)
- 4. Health Break (15 minutes)
- 5. Intervener's Technical Review Comments for the Mary River Project, Type A Water Licence Application (*approximately 25 minute per Intervener*)
- 6. Lunch (60 minutes)
- 7. Addendums to Interveners' Technical Review Comments (10 minutes per Intervener)
- 8. Relevant issues contained in the NIRB's Final Hearing Report for the Mary River Project (15 minutes)
- 9. Other Issues (5 minutes per Intervener)
- 10. Closing Remarks (5 minutes per Intervener)