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RE: 2AM-MRY1325 - Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation. — Application for Amendment of Type 'A' Water Licence

Environment Canada has no outstanding concerns regarding the water licence amendment proposed by Baffinland.

Environment Canada is pleased to note that Baffinland has committed to monitoring the discharges from the Milne Port ore stockpiles. Environment Canada would like to take this opportunity to remind the proponent that they are obliged to demonstrate that the effluent discharged to Milne Inlet meets the requirements of Section 36 of the *Fisheries Act* prior to release.

Further Environment Canada acknowledges that Baffinland has also committed to marine monitoring in Milne Inlet to ensure that project related impacts can be detected and mitigated. Environment Canada looks forward to discussions regarding the implementation of marine monitoring in the Marine Environment Working Group.

If you have any questions regarding the foregoing please contact Mark Dahl at (204) 983-4815 or via email at mark.dahl@ec.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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