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Re: Baffinland Response to April 2026 CIRNAC Inspection

The following submission from Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (Baffinland) is a follow-up in response to the Water Licence Inspection¹ conducted from April 2 to April 4, 2026, at Baffinland's Mary River Project (the Project), by Crown-Indigenous Relations Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC). The attached Table 1 provides a summary of follow-up information and updates requested by CIRNAC in their Inspection Report issued April 13, 2026.

Should you have any additional concerns or questions regarding the attached responses, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Todd Swenson".

Todd Swenson

Environmental Superintendent

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Attachments

Attachment 1 – Table 1: Baffinland Responses to CIRNAC 2026 April Inspection Report

Attachment 2 – Photos

¹ CIRNAC (2026) CIRNAC Baffinland Water License Inspection Report – April 2026 - CIRNAC Baffinland Iron Mines Water Licence Inspection Report. Inspection report dated April 13, 2026.

Attachment 1**Baffinland Response to CIRNAC 2026 April Inspection Report**

Table 1: Baffinland Responses to CIRNAC 2026 April Inspection Report

| Section | Description | Baffinland's Response |
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| 3 | Remove the burned-out heavy hauler from KM 40. | Baffinland has safely relocated the unit to Milne Port for staging and subsequent off-site disposal. Following removal, the area was cleaned, and any remaining debris was disposed of in accordance with the Waste Management Plan. A photo of the removal is provided in Attachment 2. |
| 3 | Store the heavy hauler in a manner that does not pose any risk to the environment. | The unit has been staged temporarily at the LP3 laydown at Milne Port and will be prepared in accordance with the requirements and thresholds established under the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act (TDGA), the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA), and relevant Baffinland's Management Plans. A photo of the staged unit is provided in Attachment 2. There is no risk posed to the environment at this juncture. |
| 3 | After removal of the heavy hauler, investigate for any signs of land contamination. | <p>As part of the emergency response to the event, spill kits were deployed, and a containment berm was constructed around the Articulated Haul Truck (ART) to capture the minor volume of hydrocarbon fluid released. Water used to suppress the thermal event was also captured by this berm and was confirmed not to enter any nearby waterbodies. The water was subsequently sampled for characterization and then transported to the contaminated snow disposal area at Milne Port, as freezing conditions prevailed post-incident.</p> <p>Debris generated by the incident was collected and placed in a Quatrex bag for disposal in accordance with the Spill Contingency Plan and Waste Management Plan. Following the removal of impacted materials, the area was inspected for fuel, oil, or other fluid releases, and no evidence of contamination was identified. During final removal, the spill kit placed under the unit was retrieved and confirmed to contain no fluids. A photo of the area is provided in Attachment 2.</p> |
| 3 | Ongoing clean-up of the spill #2026062 | A 30-day follow-up report was submitted to CIRNAC, QIA, and the Government of Nunavut Spill Report Line regarding this spill on April 9, 2026. Cleanup of the area is nearly complete. The site has been and will be continually monitored through ongoing inspections. Final cleanup will be completed as remaining contaminated snow and ice become more accessible, at which time a vacuum truck or other appropriate equipment will be deployed to remove residual contaminants and prevent environmental interaction. A photo has been provided in Attachment 2. |

Attachment 2**Photos**



Photo 1: Removal of the Articulated Haul Truck at KM40 – April 18, 2026



Photo 2: Articulated Haul Truck Temporarily Staged at LP3 Laydown at Milne Port – April 18, 2026



Photo 3: Post Removal of the Articulated Haul Truck at KM40 – April 18, 2026



Photo 4: Near Final Clean-Up of Spill #2026-062 at the Milne Port PSC – April 18, 2026
