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RE: Request for Comment Regarding 2020 Annual Security Review Process and Projected Timeline

Assol,

The Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA) submits this letter in response to the Nunavut Water Board's (the Board) request for feedback regarding the projected timeline for the 2020 Annual Security Review for Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation's (Baffinland) Type "A" Water Licence (2AM-MRY1325). At this time, QIA does not have any concerns with the projected timeline provided by the Board.

Regarding the recent request¹ from Crown-Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada to extend the projected timeline, QIA recognizes the importance of ensuring parties are capable of conducting wholesome reviews. However, QIA would like to highlight to the Board that if the timeline is extended, there exist time-sensitive obligations under the Commercial Lease² (Q13C301) that will remain unaltered. In situations where relevant deadlines from the Commercial Lease precede those of the adjusted timeline, QIA will adhere to the lease deadlines to ensure Baffinland is provided sufficient time to meet any relevant obligations.

If any questions arise, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Chris Spencer
Regulatory Manager

¹ Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (2019). Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada feedback on the timelines and activities proposed for the Annual Security Review associated with the 2020 Work Plan for Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Water Licence for the Mary River Project, Water Licence 2AM-MRY1325 – Amendment No 1. November 12, 2019.

² QIA and Baffinland (2013). Commercial Lease No. Q13C301. September, 6 2013.