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**Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada's Response to BIMC's Request for Second Technical Meeting and Pre-Hearing Conference**

Dear Robin,

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) would like to thank the Nunavut Water Board for the opportunity to provide feedback on Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation proposal to move ahead with a second Phase 2 technical meeting and pre-hearing conference.

CIRNAC concurs with the Nunavut Water Board's assessment that the Parties cannot move forward with these activities until the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) has issued their decision. Additionally, CIRNAC has ongoing concerns regarding the 2021 Annual Security Review (ASR) for Baffinland Iron Mines. CIRNAC has requested and still awaits documents and information from Baffinland Iron Mines that are necessary for CIRNAC to complete its portion of the ASR process.

As a result, at this time CIRNAC cannot recommend moving forward with the second technical meeting and pre-hearing conference.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at [lauren.perrin@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca](mailto:lauren.perrin@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca)

Sincerely,

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