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2AM-MRY1325 2024 ASR Process NWB proposed Update to Timeline

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Good afternoon,

As parties are aware, on March 28, 2024, the NWB received an extension request from Baffinland related to the 2024 ASR process, proposing June 10, 2024, as the date for the ASR teleconference. Following the request, the NWB invited the QIA and CIRNA to comment on the extension request. On April 2, 2024, CIRNA confirmed that they do not have any objections to the extension request. Since the NWB did not receive any response from the QIA, and assuming that the QIA does not have objections either, an updated timeline was issued on April 2, 2024, proposing June 12, 2024, for the ASR teleconference. However, on April 8, 2024, the NWB received a correspondence from the QIA, stating that they do not support Baffinland's extension request, *excepting the support for a 2-week extension to the previously scheduled ASR teleconference*.

The NWB would like to propose another updated timeline, proposing May 7, 2024, as the date for the ASR teleconference given the Board's other commitments/activities already scheduled for the second part of April. While acknowledging that this extension will be longer than two weeks which was acceptable by QIA and less than the one requested by Baffinland, the Board thinks that the additional time will still allow Baffinland and parties to have productive discussions and get potentially aligned positions.

Regards,

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