



February 3, 2015

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Jim Millard  
Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation  
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Re: Historic Ash Deliverables  
Mary River Project - Water Licence No. 2AM-MRY1325

Dear Mr Millard:

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) recognizes Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation's (BIMC) letter requesting an extension to the schedules related to its plan to dispose of historic ash from incinerators.

While considering this request, I have taken into account BIMC's efforts to minimize risk by implementing mitigative measures to contain the ash from run-off through secondary containment, their plan to characterize any contamination by conducting a soil sampling program of the impacted area, and their positive compliance history with AANDC.

In light of this, I approve of the proposed extension to the schedules related to BIMC's waste ash from incinerators plan as outlined in their letter dated February 2, 2015. Specifically, I approve of the extension to dispose of the Category 1 Ash until July 31, 2015 and the extension of the Soil Monitoring Report and Final Report to be submitted on or before September 30, 2015.

In closing, I would like to remind BIMC that there is a requirement to sample any remaining Category 2 barrels with unknown contents, and ensure that all Category 5 barrels are required to be backhauled on sealift for proper disposal before the final report is due, September 30, 2015.

Sincerely,

Justin Hack  
Water Resource Officer  
Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada



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cc. Erik Allain, AANDC  
Robert Savard, AANDC  
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