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July 14, 2020

Robin Ikkutisluk Licensing Administrator **Nunavut Water Board** P.O. Box 119 Gioa Haven, NU, X0B 1J0 E-mail: licensing@nwb-oen.ca

Re: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada Reply to Proponent Comments for the Quarry D1Q2 Closure Memo at the Mary River Project, Water Licence No. 2AM-MRY1325 - Amendment No. 1

Dear Ms. Ikkutisluk,

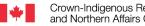
Thank you for your July 10, 2020 invitation to review the proponent response to Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) comments on the referenced Quarry D1Q2 Closure Memo for the Mary River Project, Water Licence No. 2AM-MRY1325, submitted by Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (BIMC).

CIRNAC examined the response pursuant to CIRNAC's mandated responsibilities under the Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act and the Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Act.

While CIRNAC finds that the responses from BIMC do not offer a solution for appropriate run-off criteria, they do offer an acknowledgement of the need to further discuss these criteria before concluding metal leaching or acid drainage will not be a concern at closed sites, and prior to final closure. CIRNAC is satisfied with this response.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact me at (867) 975-4282 or bridget.campbell@canada.ca.





Sincerely,

Bridget Campbell,

Water Resources Coordinator

