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**File: 2AM-MRY1325 / D2**

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**Subject: Licence No. 2AM-MRY1325; Notification for Construction by Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation of the Mine Haul Road and Cross Cut**

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Dear Mr. Murray:

On February 12, 2019, Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (BIMC or Licensee) submitted the Notification of Planned Construction Work (Notification of Construction) to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) to comply with Part D, Item 2 of Water Licence No. 2AM-MRY1325 (Licence). The NWB distributed the submission to interested parties for review.

On February 19, 2019, the Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA) provided its review of the submission noting the following:

- existing differences between for-construction drawings and those provided earlier;
- importance of increasing monitoring requirements; and
- concern if sufficient level of detail was provided in the drawings.

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) confirmed<sup>1</sup> that it had no comments.

The Licensee provided its response to comments on February 20, 2019 stating:

- the For-Construction drawings represent the most up-to-date design for the Mine Haul Road expansion, and
- as-built documentation is confirmed to be provided according to the Licence conditions.

In addition, BIMC submitted its Standard Specification for Fill Placement to address QIA's monitoring concern.

On February 21, 2019, QIA confirmed that it had no further concerns in regards to the construction.

By copy of this letter, the Board accepts the Notification of Construction for the Mine Haul Road and Cross Cut at the Mary River project dated February 12, 2019. The Licensee is advised that the construction may commence upon Board acceptance.

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<sup>1</sup> CIRNAC submission dated February 19, 2019.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Assol Kubeisnova at (867) 360-6338 or [assol.kubeisnova@nwb-oen.ca](mailto:assol.kubeisnova@nwb-oen.ca) at your earliest convenience.

Regards,

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