

November 30, 2013

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Dear Phyllis,

## Re: Submission of Updated AEMP Framework and Meeting Notes

In a four-part email transmission due to file size, please find the updated Aquatic Effects Monitoring Program (AEMP) Framework.

According to the Type A Water Licence, Part I CONDITIONS APPLYING TO GENERAL AND AQUATIC EFFECTS MONITORING 1. "The Board has approved with the issuance of the Licence, for the Construction Phase of the Project, the plan entitled *Aquatic Effects Monitoring Program (AEMP) Framework*, dated February 2013, applicable during the Construction Phase of the Project. The Licensee shall, upon further consultation, submit a revised AEMP Framework for review of the Board, prior to December 1, 2013, and take into consideration the recommendations received during the final technical review of the Application and submissions received at the public hearing."

The license also requires Baffinland to "submit to the Board, for approval in writing, at least sixty (60) days prior to commencing the Operations Phase of the Project, an Aquatic Effects Management Plan (AEMP) prepared in consultation with interested parties." Baffinland continues to work closely with parties towards this end.

Baffinland is also submitting as Attachment 1, the meeting notes from our November 21, 2013 meeting with all parties to review the updated framework, as well as the presentation from the meeting. Comments from this meeting have been considered in the update to this AEMP Framework.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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