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Dear Lootie Toomasie:

Thank you for your correspondence of April 23, 2025, addressed to the Honourable Gary Anandasangaree, conveying the Nunavut Water Board's reasons for decision and ministerial approval recommendation for Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation's contingent 180-day Short-Term Renewal Application for the Mary River Iron Ore Mine Project.

In accordance with subsection 56(2) of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, I am pleased to inform you that, during this caretaker period, I have approved the short term renewal of Baffinland's existing type A water Licence (2AM-MRY1325), as recommended by the Nunavut Water Board. The signed original is enclosed.

Wela'lin,

Valerie Gideon

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