



Application for Water Licence Amendment

Document Date: April 2013

Application Submission Date: 12/16/2013
Month/Day/Year

P.O. BOX 119
GJOA HAVEN, NUNAVUT
XOB 1J0
TEL: (867) 360-6338
FAX: (867) 360-6369

ᐅᓄᓂᓐ ᐱᓕᓂᓐ ᑲᓄᓂᓐ
NUNAVUT IMALIRIYIN KATIMAYIT
NUNAVUT WATER BOARD
OFFICE DES EAUX DU NUNAVUT

DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT

Original Document Date: April 2010

DOCUMENT AMENDMENTS

	Description	Date
(1)	Updated for public distribution as separate document from NWB Guide 7	June 2010
(2)	Updated NWB logos and reformatted table to allow rows to break across page	May 2011
(3)	New NWB logo; request for background information; and change to Block 24	April 2013
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		



P.O. Box 119

GJOA HAVEN, NU X0B 1J0

TEL: (867) 360-6338

FAX: (867) 360-6369

ᓄᓇᓂᓪ ᐃᓕᓕᓂᓪ ᑲᓄᓕᓪ

NUNAVUT WATER BOARD

NUNAVUT IMALIRIYIN KATIMAYIT

OFFICE DES EAUX DU NUNAVUT

APPLICATION FOR WATER LICENCE AMENDMENT

The applicant is referred to the NWB's Guide 7: Licensee Requirements Following the Issuance of a Water Licence for more information about this application form.

Where possible, provide background information regarding the original licence application or attach previously submitted information.

EXISTING LICENCE NO: 2BB-MRY1114

1. LICENSEE CONTACT INFORMATION

Is the licensee the same as that referred to on the existing licence?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If No, a licence assignment must be completed and approved by the NWB. **An amendment will only be issued in the name of the current licensee in the absence of assignment of the licence.**

If the licensee is the same, but the name of the licensee has changed, attach a certificate of name change.

**Erik Madsen, Vice President
Sustainable Development, Health, Safety and the Environment
Baffinland Iron Mines Corp.**

**2275 Upper Middle Road East, Suite 300
Oakville, ON Canada
L6H 0C3**

**Phone: 416.814.3980
Fax: 416.364.0193
e-mail: erik.madsen@baffinland.com**

2. LICENSEE REPRESENTATIVE CONTACT INFORMATION – If different from Block 1.

N/A

3. NAME OF PROJECT

Has the name of the project changed?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate the name of the project including the name of the location:

4. LOCATION OF UNDERTAKING

Does the proposed amendment change the location of the amended undertaking?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Provide the project extents and camp locations. Identify proposed changes.

Project Extents

The application encompasses activities on all of BIMC's mineral leases in the Qikiqtani Region of Nunavut (see Figure 1-2.1 included in Project Description)

Latitude	Longitude
72° 05' 00" N	77° 45' 00" W
72° 05' 00" N	81° 00' 00" W
69° 49' 00" N	81° 00' 00" W
69° 49' 00" N	77° 45' 00" W

Camp Location(s)

As per the enclosed project description, Baffinland requests the ability to establish small (under 50 person) exploration camps from time to time.

5. MAP

Does the proposed amendment change the locations of any of the main components of the undertaking?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Attach a topographical map, indicating the main components of the undertaking. Identify proposed changes.

NTS Map Sheet No.: _____ Map Name: _____ Map Scale: _____

6. NATURE OF INTEREST IN THE LAND

Does the proposed amendment change the nature of the interest in the land?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate changes. _____

Check any of the following that are applicable to the proposed undertaking (at least one box under the 'Surface' header must be checked).

Sub-surface

☐ Mineral Lease from Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated (NTI)

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

X Mineral Lease from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) Leases 2483, 2484, 2485

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

Surface

X Crown Land Use Authorization from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)

Land Use Permit N2006C0036

Land Use Permit N2007F0004

Quarry Permit 2012QP0065

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

☐ Inuit Owned Land (IOL) Authorization from Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA)

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

☐ IOL Authorization from Kivalliq Inuit Association (KivIA)

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

☐ IOL Authorization from Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA)

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

X Commercial Lease Q13C301

Date of issuance: September 6, 2013

☐ Commissioner's Land Use Authorization

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

☐ Other _____

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

Is the name of the entity(s) holding authorizations the same as that considered in the existing water licence?

X Yes ☐ No

If No, a licence assignment must be completed and approved by the NWB.

Name of entity(s) holding authorizations:

7. NUNAVUT PLANNING COMMISSION (NPC) DETERMINATION

Indicate the land use planning area in which the existing project is located.

X North Baffin

☐ Keewatin

☐ South Baffin
☐ Akunnig

☐ Sanikiluaq
☐ West Kitikmeot

Does the proposed amendment change the land use planning area?

☐ Yes **X No**

If yes, indicate the land use planning area in which the amended undertaking is located.

☐ North Baffin
☐ South Baffin
☐ Akunnig

☐ Keewatin
☐ Sanikiluaq
☐ West Kitikmeot

Was a land use plan conformity determination required from NPC prior to the issuance of the existing water licence?

X Yes ☐ No

If Yes, indicate date issued and attach copy: **NPC Conformity Determination (see Appendix 8).**

Does the proposed amendment change the original NPC conformity determination or the need to obtain one?

☐ Yes **X No**

If Yes, indicate date issued (or expected) and attach a copy. _____

If No, provide written confirmation from NPC confirming that a land use plan conformity review is not required.

8. NUNAVUT IMPACT REVIEW BOARD (NIRB) DETERMINATION

Was a screening determination required from NIRB prior to the issuance of the existing water licence?

X Yes ☐ No

If Yes, indicate date issued and attach copy. **NIRB Screening Determination (see Appendix 7).**

Does the proposed amendment change the original NIRB screening determination or the need to obtain one?

☐ Yes **X No**

If Yes, indicate date issued (or expected) and attach a copy. _____

If No, provide written confirmation from NIRB confirming that a screening determination is not required.

9. DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING

Does the proposed amendment change the description of the undertaking?

X Yes (see section 2.0, Project Description attached) ☐ No

List and attach plans and drawings or project proposal. Identify proposed changes.

10. OPTIONS

Does the proposed amendment change any of the alternative methods and locations that were considered to carry out the project?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Provide a brief explanation of the alternative methods or locations that were considered to carry out the project. Identify proposed changes.

11. CLASSIFICATION OF PRIMARY UNDERTAKING

Indicate the primary classification of undertaking for the existing licence by checking one of the following boxes:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial | <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mining and Milling (includes exploration/drilling/exploration camps) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal (includes camps/lodges) | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Power | <input type="checkbox"/> Miscellaneous (describe below): _____ |

Does the proposed amendment change the classification of primary undertaking?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate the primary undertaking of the amendment: _____

Information in accordance with applicable Supplemental Information Guidelines (SIG) must be updated and submitted with an Application for Amendment. Indicate which SIG(s) are applicable to your application.

- ☐ Hydrostatic Testing
- ☐ Tannery
- ☐ Tourist / Remote Camp
- ☐ Landfarm & On-Site Storage of Hydrocarbon Contaminated Soil
- ☐ Onshore Oil and Gas Exploration Drilling
- ☐ Mineral Exploration / Remote Camp
- ☐ Advanced Exploration
- ☐ Mine Development
- ☐ Municipal
- ☐ General Water Works
- ☐ Power

12. WATER USE

Indicate, using the boxes below, the types of water use(s) approved in the existing licence.

- ☒ To obtain water for camp/ municipal purposes
☒ To obtain water for industrial purposes ☐ To divert a watercourse

☒ To cross a watercourse

☐ To alter the flow of, or store water

☐ Other: _____

☐ To modify the bed or bank of a watercourse

☐ Flood control

Does the proposed amendment change the type(s) of water use(s)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate using the boxes below, the proposed change(s) to the type(s) of water use(s) noting any water use(s) that are to be added, continued, or removed.

☐ To obtain water for camp/ municipal purposes

☐ To obtain water for industrial purposes

☐ To cross a watercourse

☐ To alter the flow of, or store water

☐ Other: _____

☐ To divert a watercourse

☐ To modify the bed or bank of a watercourse

☐ Flood control

13. QUANTITY OF WATER INVOLVED

Does the proposed amendment change the source of water?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Indicate the water source(s). Identify proposed changes.:

See section 6, Project Description (attached at Appendix 4). Under this renewed Licence, BIMC is requesting the use of 299 cubic metres per day. This would include 250 cubic metres per day allocated for exploration activities and a total 49 cubic metres per day for all camps.

(show location(s) on map) – satellite exploration camps to be established in various locations as needed, specific locations are not currently identified as they are dependant on exploration program requirements

Does the proposed amendment change the quality of the water source and/or its available capacity?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Describe the quality of the water source(s) and the available capacity(s). Identify any changes.: _____

Does the proposed amendment change the overall quantity of water to be used?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Provide the overall estimated quantity to be used. Identify proposed changes. : _____ m³/day

Does the proposed amendment change the quantity of water to be used from each source?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Provide the estimated quantity(s) of water to be used from each source. Identify proposed changes. :

Does the proposed amendment change the quantity of water to be used for each purpose?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Provide the estimated quantities to be used for each purpose (camp, drilling, etc.). Identify proposed changes.:

49 m³/ day – Domestic Camp Use, 250 m³/day – Other Exploration Purposes

Does the proposed amendment change the method(s) of extraction?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Describe the method(s) of extraction. Identify proposed changes. : _____

Does the proposed amendment change the quantity(s) of water returned to source(s)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Estimated quantity(s) of water returned to source(s). Identify proposed changes. : _____ m³/day

Does the proposed amendment change the quality(s) of water returned to source(s)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Describe the quality(s) of water(s) returned to source(s). Identify any changes. : _____

14. WASTE

Check the appropriate box(s) to indicate the types of waste(s) approved in the existing licence.

☒ Sewage

☒ Solid Waste

☒ Hazardous

☐ Bulky Items/Scrap Metal

☐ Animal Waste

☐ Other (describe): _____

☒ Waste oil

☒ Greywater

☒ Sludges

☒ Contaminated soil and/or water

Does the proposed amendment change the type(s) of waste(s) to be generated or deposited?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate using the boxes below, the proposed change(s) to the type(s) of waste(s) to be generated and/or deposited noting the addition, removal or continued generation and/or disposal of waste(s).

☐ Sewage

☐ Solid Waste

☐ Hazardous

☐ Bulky Items/Scrap Metal

☐ Animal Waste

☐ Other (describe): _____

☐ Waste oil

☐ Greywater

☐ Sludges

☐ Contaminated soil and/or water

15. QUANTITY AND QUALITY OF WASTE INVOLVED

Does the proposed amendment change the quantity(s) of the types of wastes involved?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does the proposed amendment change the composition(s) of the types of wastes involved?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does the proposed amendment change the method(s) of treatment for the types of waste involved?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does the proposed amendment change the method(s) of disposal for the types of waste involved?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes to any of the above, describe the proposed changes: _____

For each type of waste indicated in Block 14, describe its composition, quantity in cubic meters/day, method of treatment and method of disposal.

Type of Waste	Composition	Quantity Generated	Treatment Method	Disposal Method

16. OTHER AUTHORIZATIONS

Does the proposed amendment change the need for other authorizations in addition to the sub-surface and surface land use authorizations provided in Block 6?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, indicate any additional authorizations required, which authorizations are no longer required, and which authorizations continue to be required.

For each provide the following:

Authorization: _____

Administering Agency: _____

Project Activity: _____

Date (expected date) of issuance: _____ Date of expiry: _____

17. PREDICTED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF UNDERTAKING AND PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES

Does the proposed amendment change the predicted environmental impacts of the undertaking or the mitigation measures?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Describe direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts related to water and waste. Identify any changes.

18. WATER RIGHTS OF EXISTING AND OTHER WATER USERS

Was compensation paid and/or an agreement(s) for compensation been entered into with any existing or other users of water during consideration of the existing licence?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide the names, addresses and the nature of water use by those persons or properties.

Does the proposed amendment adversely affect any known persons or property including those that hold licences for water use in precedence to the application, domestic users, in-stream users, authorized waste depositors, owners of property, occupiers of property, and/or holders of outfitting concessions, registered trapline holders, and holders of other rights of a similar nature?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide the names, addresses and the nature of water use of those persons or properties.

Advise the Board if compensation has been paid and/or an agreement(s) for compensation has been reached with any existing or other water users with respect to the proposed amendment.

19. INUIT WATER RIGHTS

Was compensation paid/ or an agreement(s) for compensation been entered into with any Designated Inuit Organization (DIO) during consideration of the existing licence?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, which DIO(s) _____

Does the proposed amendment substantially affect the quality, quantity or flow of waters flowing through Inuit Owned Land (IOL)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, advise the Board if negotiations have commenced or an agreement to pay compensation for any loss or damage has been reached with one or more DIO(s) with respect to the proposed amendment.

- 20. CONSULTATION** - Provide a summary of any consultation meetings including when the meetings were held, where and with whom. Include a list of concerns expressed and measures to address concerns

BIMC has discussed the need for a continuing Type B Water Licence and its intent to seek renewal and amendment of the Type B Water Licence with the QIA and all interested parties during the technical meetings and final hearings in Pond Inlet for Baffinland's Type A Water Licence. The QIA and other interested parties have not expressed any concerns to date. When the amended Type B Water Licence was issued on Dec. 4, 2013, the Board noted that the licence would need to be amended in short order.

21. SECURITY INFORMATION

Does the proposed amendment change the financial security assessment?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Does the proposed amendment change the estimate of the total financial security for final reclamation?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Provide an estimate of the total financial security for final reclamation equal to the total outstanding reclamation liability for land and water combined sufficient to cover the highest liability over the life of the undertaking. Estimates of reclamation costs must be based on the cost of having the necessary reclamation work done by a third party contractor if the operator defaults. The estimate must also include contingency factors appropriate to the particular work to be undertaken. Identify any changes in the financial security assessment resulting from the proposed amendment.

Where applicable, the financial security assessment should be prepared in a manner consistent with the principals respecting mine site reclamation and implementation found in the *Mine Site Reclamation Policy for Nunavut*, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, 2002.

22. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Is the statement of financial security the same as that considered in the existing water licence?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Provide an updated statement of financial security.

If the applicant is a business entity please answer the questions below:

Is the list of the officers of the company the same as those considered in the existing water licence?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Provide a list of the officers of the company. **See Appendix 6.**

Is the Certificate of Incorporation or evidence of registration of the company name the same?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Attach a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation or evidence of registration of the company name.

See Appendix 6.

23. STUDIES UNDERTAKEN TO DATE

List and attach updated studies, reports, research etc.

Provide a compliance assessment and status report including a response to any inspector's reports. The licensee must contact the NWB for licence specific direction in completing the assessment and report.

If in non-compliance, a licence may not be issued until compliance is achieved. If in non-compliance, attach plans/reports for consideration. Application will not be processed if significant issues of non-compliance exist.

The only finding of non-compliance noted in the most recent Inspection Report issued May 2013 was that monitoring of fuel storage and transfer areas should be completed on a daily basis. BIMC will complete the required monitoring. BIMC confirms there were no significant issues of non-compliance. The inspector concluded that, "Baffinland Iron Mines Corp was found to be working diligently on clearing snow and ramping up activities for the 2013 field season." See generally compliance report attached at Appendix 5.

24. PROPOSED TIME SCHEDULE

When are proposed amendments scheduled to be undertaken:

Does the proposed amendment change the time schedule considered in the existing licence for any phase of development?

☐ Yes ☒ No – Exploration activities ongoing over proposed term of licence

Indicate the start and completion dates for each applicable phase of development (construction, operation, closure, and post closure). Identify proposed changes.

Construction

Proposed Start Date: _____ Proposed Completion Date: _____
(month/year) (month/year)

Operation

Proposed Start Date: _____ Proposed Completion Date: _____
(month/year) (month/year)

Closure

Proposed Start Date: _____ Proposed Completion Date: _____
(month/year) (month/year)

Post - Closure

Proposed Start Date: _____ Proposed Completion Date: _____
(month/year) (month/year)

For each applicable phase of development indicate which season(s) activities occur.

Construction

☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer ☐ Fall ☐ All season

Operation

☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer ☐ Fall ☐ All season

Closure

☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer ☐ Fall ☐ All season

Post - Closure

☐ Winter ☐ Spring ☐ Summer ☐ Fall ☐ All season

25. PROPOSED TERM OF LICENCE

On what date does the existing licence expire? **April 5, 2014**

Is the Licensee applying for a combined renewal and amendment of the existing licence?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, indicate the proposed term of the renewal (maximum of 25 years): **25 years**

Requested date of renewal issuance: **March 30, 2014** Requested Expiry Date: **March 30, 2039**
(month/year) (month/year)

(The requested date of renewal issuance must be at least three (3) months from the date of application for a type B water licence and at least one (1) year from the date of application for a type A water licence, to allow for processing of the water licence application. These timeframes are approximate and do not account for the time to complete any pre-licensing land use planning or development impact requirements, time for the applicant to prepare and submit a water licence application in accordance with any project specific guidelines issued by the NWB, or the time for the applicant to respond to requests for additional information. See the NWB's *Guide 5: Processing Water Licence Applications* for more information)

26. ANNUAL REPORTING

Will the proposed amendment change the content of annual reports or the annual report template?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide details regarding the content of annual reports and a proposed outline or template of the annual report.

27. CHECKLIST

The following must be included with the application for Amendment for the water licensing process to begin.

Completed Application for Water Licence Amendment form.

☒ Yes ☐ No If no, date expected _____

Information addressing Supplement Information Guideline (SIG), where applicable (see Block 11)

☒ N/A (no changes) ☐ Yes ☐ No If no, date expected _____

Compliance Assessment / Status Report (see Block 23 and Appendix 5)

X Yes ☐ No If no, date expected _____

Indication of Renewal Requirement (see Block 26)

X Yes ☐ No If no, date expected _____

English Summary of Amendment Application.

X Yes (see enclosed Executive Summary at Appendix 1 and Project Description at Appendix 4) ☐ No
If no, date expected _____

Inuktitut and/or Inuinnaqtun Summary of Amendment Application.

X Yes (see enclosed Inuktitut translated Executive Summary at Appendix 2 and French translated Executive Summary at Appendix 3) ☐ No

Application fee of \$30.00 CDN (Payee Receiver General for Canada).

X Yes ☐ No If no, date expected _____

Water Use Fee Deposit of \$30.00 CDN (Payee Receiver General for Canada). The actual water use fee will be calculated by the NWB based upon the amount of water authorized for use in accordance with the Regulations at the time of issuance of the licence.

X Yes ☐ No If no, date expected _____

28. SIGNATURE

Erik Madsen

Name (Print)

VP - Sustainable Dev.

Title (Print)

E. Madsen

Signature

Dec. 19, 2013

Date

