



- Drilling, blasting and storing of 169,300 dry tonnes (t) of weathered surface rock on top of Deposit No. 1 over one or two months
- Drilling, blasting and storing 250,000 t of iron ore bulk sample from Deposit No. 1 over three-to-five months
- Hauling of the 250,000 t iron ore bulk sample from Mary River to Milne Inlet
- Temporary stockpiling of the 250,000 t iron ore bulk sample at Milne Inlet
- Loading of the 250,000 t iron ore bulk sample on 3 ships for a total of five voyages

All documents received and pertaining to this project proposal can be obtained from NIRB's ftp site at: [http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb/NIRB\\_SCREENINGS/ACTIVE\\_SCREENINGS/](http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb/NIRB_SCREENINGS/ACTIVE_SCREENINGS/) including:

- *Correspondence dated January 8, 2007 from Rod Cooper to Carolanne Inglis-McQuay*
- *Positive Conformity Determination dated January 22, 2007 from Ronnie Suluk of the Nunavut Planning Commission*
- *Follow-up correspondence dated January 29, 2007 from Ronnie Suluk of the Nunavut Planning Commission to Carolanne Inglis-McQuay of NIRB*
- *Table 1 – Conformance to the NIRB Project Specific Information Requirements*
- *Table 2 – Environmental Screening Document Distribution List*
- *Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Mary River Project, Bulk Sampling Program – Environmental Screening Document Volume I Report and Volume II Appendices (Knight Piésold Report NB102-00181/6-1, Rev. 0, dated November 20, 200)*
- *Correspondence dated January 25, 2007 from John Amagoalik of Qikiqtani Inuit Association to Carolanne Inglis-McQuay of NIRB*
- *Correspondence dated November 30, 2006 from Richard Cook of Knight Piésold to Salamonie Shoo of Qikiqtani Inuit Association*
- *Correspondence dated November 30, 2006 from Rod Cooper of Baffinland to Salamonie Shoo of Qikiqtani Inuit Association*
- *Qikiqtani Inuit Association Application for Access to Inuit Owned Land*
- *Correspondence dated January 25, 2007 from Jeff Holwell of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada to Ms. Elizabeth Copland of NIRB*
- *Correspondence dated January 8, 2007 from Rod Cooper of Baffinland to Jeff Holwell of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada*
- *Correspondence dated November 30, 2006 from Richard Cook of Knight Piésold to Spencer Dewar of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada*
- *Correspondence dated November 30, 2006 from Rod Cooper of Baffinland to Spencer Dewar of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada*
- *Indian and Northern Affairs Application for Land Use Permit*
- *Indian and Northern Affairs Application for Quarrying Permit*

Pursuant to Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), NIRB shall proceed to screen the subject project proposal. NIRB may request additional information at any time during the process. NIRB will copy you on screening process related correspondence and upload related documents to the above ftp site for Public access.

NIRB is also copying interested Parties and municipalities most affected by Baffinland's Bulk Sampling Program project proposal. NIRB is inviting interested Parties to comment directly to the NIRB by **March 14, 2007**.

NIRB would like Parties to provide comments regarding:

- Whether the project proposal is likely to arouse significant public concern; and if so, why;
- Whether the project proposal is likely to cause significant adverse eco-systemic and socio-economic effects; and if so, why;
- Whether the project is of a type where the potential adverse effects are highly predictable and mitigable with known technology, (please provide any recommended mitigation measures); and
- Any matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

NIRB also requests comments from Parties on the scope of the project proposal, from the perspective of the Party's jurisdiction, whatever that may be. NIRB expects the Parties to use Baffinland's *Environmental Screening Document* as the basis for the scoping comments.

In the event that the Board makes at 12.4.4 (b) recommendation for a review of the project proposal and the Minister agrees to a Part 5 Review, NIRB reserves the right to hold public scoping sessions, and as always, would conduct Technical Meetings and a Pre-Hearing Conference.

Based on a review of *Table 2 – Environmental Screening Document Distribution List* provided by Knight Piésold, most Parties should have a hard copy of the *Environmental Screening Document*. If your organization requires information in this regard, please contact Richard Cook, at [rcook@knightpiesold.com](mailto:rcook@knightpiesold.com).

Please send your comments to the attention of NIRB's Manager of Environmental Administration Leslie Payette at [lpayette@nirb.nunavut.ca](mailto:lpayette@nirb.nunavut.ca).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [cinglis@nirb.nunavut.ca](mailto:cinglis@nirb.nunavut.ca) or 867-983-4607.

Sincerely,



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Technical Advisor

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Attachments:

Comment form