

NOTICE OF INDICATION NIRB FILE NO.: 07EN012

May 4, 2007

John Amagoalik Qikiqtani Inuit Association Iqaluit, NU Jeff Holwell Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Iqaluit, NU

Via email: lands@qiniq.com Via email: HolwellJ@inac-ainc.gc.ca

Re: Notice of Indication for Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation, Bulk Sampling Program, Mary River Project Proposal

Dear Mr. Amagoalik and Mr. Holwell:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) Screening Decision Report to the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) and to the President of Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA), for Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation Project Proposal in the Baffin Region.

NIRB has assessed this Project Proposal for ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts taking into consideration the comments from relevant authorities and communities. Based on this assessment NIRB's indication to the Minister is in accordance with **12.4.4** (a) which states the following:

"The proposal may be processed without a review under Part 5 or 6; NIRB may recommend specific terms and conditions to be attached to any approval, reflecting the primary objectives set out in Section 12.2.5."

The enclosed NIRB Screening Decision for NIRB File Number 07EN012, signed on May 4th, 2007 by Albert Ehaloak at Cambridge Bay has been issued to INAC and the QIA, and is subject the terms and conditions contained herein being imposed upon the Proponent.

NIRB is aware of INAC and the QIA's authority to regulate the terms and conditions attached to the enclosed Screening Decision Report, and requests that INAC and the QIA send a hardcopy of the authorization with NIRB's file number referenced on the document to the NIRB office to complete our files. In addition, NIRB requests that copies of any subsequent inspection reports related to the subject Project Proposal be sent to the NIRB office.

Please contact Leslie Payette, NIRB's Manager of Environmental Administration at 867-983-4611 or lpayette@nirb.nunavut.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Leslie Payette

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Manager of Environmental Administration

Attachments: NIRB Screening Decision Report

Cc Honorable Jim Prentice, Minister of INAC

Thomas Alikatuktuk, President of QIA

Derek Chubb, Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation