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## Dear Mr. Richard Dwyer / Ms.Phyllis Beaulieu:

This e-mail provides an update on the status of various submissions that are required under Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (Baffinland) current Water Licence 2BB-MRY1114.

### Part B, Item 2 of the Water Licence states:

The Licensee shall, within thirty (30) days of issuance of this licence, furnish and maintain security with the Minister in the form that is satisfactory to the Minister, in the amount of six million, seven hundred thirty eight thousand, two hundred sixteen (6,738,216) dollars.

Current Status: As of May 5, 2011, the Crown acknowledged receipt of security for the Project in the above amount in a form that was satisfactory.

#### Part H, Item 2 of the Water Licence states:

The Licensee shall submit within thirty (30) days from the issuance of this Licence, an addendum to the Plan referred to in Part H, Item 1, to address the following:

- a. Include a site map depicting site spill kits, nearby water bodies, camp infrastructure and other relevant information; and
- b. Include procedures for conducting site assessments prior to temporary closure of the site.

Current Status: On March 31, 2011, as part of its Annual Report to the Nunavut Water Board, Baffinland submitted a revised *Abandonment and Reclamation Plan* (dated February 28, 2011) and *Spill Contingency Plan* (dated March 1, 2011). Baffinland suggests that the two updated documents, referenced above, adequately address the above requirements.

## Part I, Item 11 of the Water Licence states:

The Board has accepted the Quality Assurance/Quality Control Plan (QA/QC), dated March 31, 2008 and the Analyst approval for the document dated May 25, 2009. The Licensee is required to submit to the Board for review, within ninety (90) days from the date of issuance of this Licence, an updated stand-alone QA/QC Plan taking into consideration Part I, Items 14 and 15, along with a letter of approval from an Analyst.

Current Status: On March 31, 2011, as part of its Annual Report to the Nunavut Water Board, Baffinland submitted a revised *Site Water Management Plan* which includes Appendix A: a stand-alone Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC), dated March 31, 2011. Baffinland suggests that this document satisfies the above requirement. Baffinland notes that this plan has been updated annually and submitted to the Nunavut Water Board for approval since March 2008.

Please let me know if you have any questions on the forgoing.

Kind regards,

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