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Subject: Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation; Submission of a Spill Contingency Plan Addendum for the Mary River Poject; Licence NWB2MRY0406

Dear Mr. Zurowski;

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") would like to acknowledge the receipt of the above document under Part G, Item 1 of Licence NWB2MRY0406, submitted along with the Amendment application dated March 11, 2005. The Spill Contingency Plan addendum was found to meet the additional requirements set out in the Licence under Part G, Item 1 and the follow-up letter of November 23, 2004 however, new information has been included within the Addendum Application that will require an additional addendum be submitted to complete the Plan. These have been identified as follows:

- i. Update the Introduction section of the Plan to reflect the increased camp capacity (60 persons) and any other changes to the camp facilities as required;
- ii. Provide a further description of the method, or alternate method of disposal for hydrocarbon contaminated materials and the disposal at an approved facility. Hydrocarbon contaminated materials are not approved to be disposed of at a community landfill;
- iii. Include a section on equipment and supplies availability and their location on site for access. This includes mechanized equipment as well as hand operated tools (picks and shovels etc.);
- iv. Include a copy of the NWT Spill Report Form as an appendix to provide a copy on site for use in spill reporting (an electronic version of this form is available on the NWB ftp site);
- v. Include in the appropriate sections, the application of the SCP to the Milne Inlet seasonal access road, the equipment and materials available and response actions required to address a spill during re-supply activities. If storage of materials and products is anticipated at the Milne Inlet location, this information should be included within the

SCP under all applicable sections;

vi. Due to the frequent change in personnel at a number of the agencies involved with environmental protection, the contact list should be limited to the specific agency and the main number of contact for that agency. In addition, the Environment Canada contact number should be changed to 867-975-4644 and include the Environment Canada 24-hr emergency pager 867-920-5131.

The NWB requests that the above information be provided in the form of an addendum within sixty (60) days of receipt of this letter.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at (780) 443-4406, at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

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