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Dear Mr. Barry:

**RE: Bathurst Inlet Port and Road (BIPAR) Project Update  
Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) File Number 03UN114**

Thank you for your letter dated July 7, 2011. As you may be aware, Bathurst Inlet Port and Road Joint Venture Ltd. conducted a summer 2010 field program to collect additional data relevant to preparing the information request response package and re-engaging the technical review process. The data that was collected in 2010 was not processed as the reporting and response preparation was going to be allocated in the 2011 budget. Further, in late-2010, Minerals and Metals Group announced that they were no longer considering the Bathurst Inlet Port and Road as their base case, and subsequently BIPAR Joint Venture did not request the funding required to continue processing the data collected in 2010.

If a road is not required from Bathurst Inlet to Contwoyto Lake in its entirety, it is our belief that resource companies that have projects in the Kitikmeot may benefit from a portion of this infrastructure. In 2010 and over the past several years, a great deal of work has been done in preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and during the past several months BIPAR Joint Venture has been in discussions regarding maximizing the benefits of the work completed to date. Unfortunately, we do not have a commitment from remaining potential users at this time and, therefore, it is not our intent to re-engage the technical review process.

BIPAR Joint Venture would once again like to thank the NIRB for their support on this project over the past several years. Please contact me at (604) 682-4667 or by email at grantp@nunalogistics.com if you have any questions or require further information.

Yours truly,

BATHURST INLET PORT AND ROAD JOINT VENTURE LTD.  
per:



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