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Sent via email: mkeefe@b2gold.com

Re: Opportunity to Address Comments Received Regarding B2Gold Corporation's Back River Project 2023 Annual Report

Dear Merle Keefe:

On April 13, 2024, the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received B2Gold Corporation's (B2Gold) *Back River Project 2023 Annual Report (2023 Annual Report)* as required by amended Project Certificate No.007.

On May 13, 2024, the NIRB requested that interested parties review the *2023 Annual Report* and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise on whether the conclusions reached by B2Gold in the *2023 Annual Report* were valid as well as comment on the Proponent's compliance status with regard to authorizations that have been issued for the Project Certificate. After receiving several requests from Parties for extensions to the commenting period, the NIRB extended the deadline for comments until July 4, 2024.

The NIRB received comments from the following interested parties:

Commenting Party	Document ID
Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA)	350651
Government of Nunavut (GN)	350664
Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)	350630
Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)	350650
Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)	350641
Health Canada	350631

All comment submissions received by the NIRB related to the *2023 Annual Report* can be accessed from the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca/project/124149 or by searching for the above Document IDs.

The Board would like to provide B2Gold with an opportunity to address all parties' comments prior to the completion of the *NIRB 2023-2024 Annual Monitoring Report for the Back River Project* and requests that a response be provided directly to the NIRB by **August 6, 2024**

Please send any forthcoming submissions directly to the NIRB at info@nirb.ca, or through the NIRB's online Public Registry at www.nirb.ca.

Should you have any questions or require clarification regarding the ongoing monitoring of the Back River Project, please contact the undersigned directly at cbarker@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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Manager, Project Monitoring
Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Back River Distribution List