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Nunavut Impact Review Board
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Dear Madame Chair:

**RE: Baffinland Iron Mines Corp. – Sustaining Operations Proposal 2
NIRB File No.: 08MN053**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the technical review process related to the Sustaining Operations Proposal 2 ("the SOP 2") being made by Baffinland Iron Mines Corp ("Baffinland").

The International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 793 ("Local 793") is a progressive and diversified trade union representing workers in a wide variety of occupational categories at Baffinland's Mary River Mine. The Mary River Mine has provided thousands of good paying jobs for highly trained and skilled Canadian workers who all work to ensure the high-grade iron ore is mined and transported in an environmentally safe and sustainable way.

The benefits that Baffinland contributes to Nunavut, in employment, training opportunities and for its economic growth have been immense. Additionally, many workers at the mine are Inuit, and the opportunities available to them through the mine has had a direct and positive impact on their careers and families, and the prosperity of many communities in the Qikiqtani Region.

Local 793 has no comments nor information requests at this time. Our focus remains staying engaged in this important process and ensuring that the workers we represent at the Mary River Mine, particularly Inuit workers' concerns and views, are fully expressed and made known.

Local 793 looks forward continuing to attend and participating in the technical hearings and public hearings process.

All of which is respectfully submitted for your consideration,

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