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SENT VIA EMAIL

Re: Comments regarding Draft Agenda for upcoming Public Hearing for Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation's Phase 2 Development Project Proposal

Mr. Amuno,

In response to NIRB's correspondence sent September 16, 2019, the Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA) has reviewed the draft agenda for the upcoming Public Hearing for NIRB's Assessment of Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation's "Phase 2 Development" Project Proposal, a proposed amendment to the approved Mary River Project (NIRB File No.: 08MN053). We appreciate NIRB's seeking our feedback and the opportunity to provide you with our comments on the draft agenda.

QIA proposes two amendments to the agenda for the upcoming Public Hearing

1. Day 2 of Technical Meeting in Iqaluit: Addition of "Adaptive Management" as an item to be discussed. Presently there are 20 minutes dedicated for "Management Plans and Monitoring Programs". It is not clear whether this will include a full discussion of Adaptive Management and how the Project Proposal will address this concept. The Adaptive Management process and associated plan is an important component of the environmental management of the project and an outstanding issue that QIA would like specifically included for discussion.
2. Day 1 of the Community Roundtable in Pond Inlet: Addition of room on the agenda to allow QIA to provide an opening statement of 10-20 minutes. As the

Designated Inuit Organization, QIA presently has the opportunity to provide Closing Remarks on Day 2 of the Community Roundtable in Pond Inlet, but not Opening Remarks on Day 1. QIA's role is to safeguard, administer, and advance the rights and benefits of the Qikiqtani Inuit. As Pond Inlet is one of the Qikiqtani Inuit communities, it is important that QIA has the opportunity to address those it represents at both the Opening and Closing of the Community Roundtable in Pond Inlet.

QIA believes that NIRB and other parties will find the above amendments to the agenda reasonable and practicable, and that these suggestions will aid in ensuring a fruitful and meaningful Public Hearing. If NIRB or other parties request any clarifications or further information on the above agenda comments, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jared Ottenhof', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jared Ottenhof
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