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Ryan Barry **Executive Director** Nunavut Impact Review Board PO Box 1360 Cambridge Bay, NU X0B 0C0

Via email: info@nirb.ca

RE: Government of Canada's comments on Baffinland Iron Mine Corporation's (Baffinland) Request for Further Modification of Conditions in the Mary River **Project Certificate No.005**

Dear Mr. Barry,

Thank for your providing the opportunity to submit comments on Baffinland's request for further modification of conditions in the Mary River Project Certificate No.005.

Please accept submissions from the following departments; Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC), Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), Parks Canada (PC), and Health Canada (HC).

All participating federal departments have reviewed the documents provided by Baffinland pertaining to their request to continue production and shipping of 6 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) of iron ore from the Mary River Mine through the Milne Inlet for one year (expiring on December 31, 2020). The Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency's Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO), on behalf of federal departments would like to propose that the conditions in the attached submissions be considered in the amended project certificate.

The Government of Canada looks forward to continued participation in the Nunavut Impact Review Board's environmental assessment processes. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Adrian Paradis, Senior Project Manager, NPMO at adrian.paradis@canada.ca or 867-669-2595.

Sincerely,

Lisa Dyer

Director General

Northern Projects Management Office

Attachment

Cc:

David Rochette, Regional Director General, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada

Mary Taylor, Environmental Protection Operations Directorate, Environment and Climate Change Canada

Tom Hoggarth, Director General, Ecosystems Management Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Central and Arctic Region

Shari Currie, Regional Director General, Prairie and Northern Region, Transport Canada

Patrick O'Neill, Director General, Explosives, Safety and Security Branch, Natural Resources Canada

Chantal Roberge, Director Environmental Health and Internationally Protected Persons, Health Canada

Mark Hopkins, Director General, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Jenna Boon, Nunavut Field Unit Superintendent, Parks Canada