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Subject: NIRB 125710/08MN053: Information for Community Representatives Re Participation in the Board's Community Roundtable for Baffinland's "Production Increase Project Renewal" Proposal

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Dear Parties

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) is providing this follow up to respond to several questions from parties regarding Friday's request for Community Representatives to participate at a Community Roundtable on August 16, 2022. The NIRB highlights that the upcoming Community Roundtable is different than the Community Roundtables the NIRB hosted in relation to the NIRB's assessment of the Phase 2 Development Proposal. **No travel** is required for Community Representatives to participate in the **Community Roundtable on August 16, 2022**, and the Board is working with each community to ensure Community Representatives can participate by teleconference or videoconference. When Community Representatives have confirmed their participation, the Board will follow up with the remote access details and identifying the time slot on the agenda set aside for each community to share their knowledge and views. For community members who are not available on August 16, 2022, the Board notes that knowledge, experience and views previously shared by the members of the public and Community Representatives during the Community Roundtables that were part of the Board's Record in the previous assessment of the Phase 2 Development Proposal, can also be considered if it is relevant to the assessment of the potential for effects of the Production Increase Proposal Renewal. The Board understands that Community Representatives may be disappointed that due to logistical and time constraints that they will not be participating in-person in Pond Inlet, but as always, appreciates the efforts made by all who are willing to share their knowledge and views with the Board.

These differences reflect that the proposal being considered by the NIRB (the Production Increase Proposal Renewal) is limited in scope to Baffinland continuing the mining, transportation and shipping of 6 million tonnes of ore through Milne Inlet until December of this year only, and a decision is required on an urgent basis. Reflecting these limits, there will be no Public Hearing sessions for this assessment, and Intervenors and any interested parties, including community members are invited to file their written comments about the Proposal with the NIRB before **noon on August 11, 2022**. In addition to receiving written comments, the NIRB also wanted to provide an opportunity for the potentially affected communities to share their knowledge and views with the Board about the Proposal in oral form as well. The NIRB understands that August is a very busy time for many community members and wishes to minimize the amount of time they have to take away from their community to share their knowledge and views with the Board during this short session.

