



April 16, 2018

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RE: Government of Nunavut Response to the Nunavut Planning Commission Recommendation to Amend the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (Amendment #3)

Dear Mr. Nakashuk:

Thank you for your March 18, 2018 letter concerning Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation's amendment application for the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan. The Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) has recommended that a revised version of Amendment #3 be accepted. Recommended revisions to this amendment are detailed in the NPC's public review report, along with its supporting rational. This public review report clearly demonstrates the NPC's careful consideration of all participant input.

The Government of Nunavut has provided feedback regarding this amendment during the NPC's associated December 4-5 2017 public hearing in Pond Inlet, as well as in written submissions solicited for October 2, November 17, and December 12, 2017 deadlines.

After careful review of this report, I hereby accept the NPC's recommended amendment pursuant to section 62(1) of the Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act.

Sincerely,

Joe Savikataaq
Minister

c.c. The Honourable Carolyn Bennett, Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs
The Honourable Hunter Tootoo, Member of Parliament for Nunavut
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