



October 12, 2011

Mr. Lucassie Arragutainaq
Chairperson
Nunavut Impact Review Board
P.O. Box 1360
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Re: North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan Transportation Corridor

Dear Mr. Arrangutainaq

In accordance with the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan the Nunavut Planning Commission and Nunavut Impact Review Board coordinated a review of a portion of the proposed transportation corridor, associated with the Mary River project.

As part of our coordinated review there is a need to address whether the NPC will request the Minister to amend the North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP) to include the portion of the new transportation corridor located within the North Baffin land use planning region.

The NPC is preparing a draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (NLUP) for public release. The NLUP, when approved, will replace the NBRLUP. Existing and proposed transportation corridors for the Nunavut Settlement Area are currently being addressed as part of the formulation of the draft NLUP. As such the NPC will not be seeking an amendment to the NBRLUP.

In short, proposing an amendment to the NBRLUP would be a duplication of our current land use planning activities.

Sincerely

Ron Roach, Chairperson
Nunavut Planning Commissions

CC. Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation