

May 17, 2017

Todd Burlingame, Vice-President, Sustainable Development Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation 2275 Upper Middle Road East, Suite 300, Oakville, ON, Canada, L6H 0C3

**Delivered Via Electronic Mail** 

Dear Mr. Burlingame,

## RE: Response to Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (BIMC) Letter dated May 9, 2017 requesting update on proposed amendment to North Baffin Regional Land Use Plan (NBRLUP) dated March 17, 2017

Thank you for your letter requesting confirmation that the above-mentioned BIMC amendment application is being processed. I write to confirm that the NPC is considering BIMC's application in accordance with the Nunavut Planning Commission's (NPC) Internal Procedure for Plan Amendments (Amendment Procedure). The Commissioners will consider the amendment application at their next in-person meeting, tentatively scheduled for mid-September or October, 2017.

The BIMC amendment application was received on March 17, 2017. Pursuant to section 4.4 of the Amendment Procedure, amendment applications must be submitted at least 60 days prior to an in-person Commission meeting. In earlier discussions between NPC and BIMC it was envisioned that the Commission would be meeting in person earlier in the year related to other Commission business, notably the DNLUP. The Board would have been in a position to discuss this amendment at those times, but currently those meetings are delayed. The Commissioners will consider the amendment application at the first in-person meeting that occurs after the 60-day period expires, which is tentatively scheduled for mid-September or October, 2017.

As the NPC Executive Director, I intend to put the BIMC amendment application and a report before the Commissioners to decide on the scope of the public review, in accordance with the Amendment Procedure.

Respectfully,

Sharon Ehaloak
Executive Director

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