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PUBLIC NOTICE

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON AN APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT A RAILWAY LINE

Baffinland Iron Mines Corp. (Baffinland) has applied to the Canadian Transportation Agency (CTA) for approval to construct a railway line between Mary River Mine and Steensby Inlet located on northern Baffin Island within the Qikiqtani Region of Nunavut with a total distance of 149 kilometres.

The CTA is inviting the public to comment on our application. Any person who has views on the application as it relates to the construction of the Steensby Railway may submit comments to the CTA by e-mail no later than May 9, 2025. Comments should be sent to: secretariat@otc-cta.gc.ca.

Where to Find the Application and Related Information

Our application and related documents are available on the CTA's website at: <https://otc-cta.gc.ca/eng/consultation/baffinland-steensby-railway-consultation>

More information about our application is also available at: SteensbyRailway.baffinland.com

Reason for our Application

We have applied to construct this railway line because it is a critical component of Baffinland's multi-phase Mary River Project to develop and operate the Mary River Mine. The Steensby Railway will provide freight rail service to the Mary River Mine and is critical to the long-term viability and success of the Mary River Project.

Reason for the Public Comment period

The CTA will only approve our application to construct the railway line if it decides that the proposed location of the line is reasonable. To help it decide whether the location is reasonable, the CTA considers the views of the communities, individuals, or groups that would be affected by the railway line. One way the CTA does this is by giving the public an opportunity to comment on the proposed line.

The CTA is required by law to consider the interests of the localities that would be affected by the railway line. This and the other factors the CTA must consider are set out in section 98 of the Canada Transportation Act.

Publication of the Comments

All comments sent to the CTA, including the submitter's name, will be posted on the CTA's website unless the submitter has a valid reason to request confidentiality. For more information about this or about the Public Comment process, contact the CTA at 1-888-222-2592 or by email at info@otc-cta.gc.ca. Thank you for your comments on Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation (Baffinland) Application for Approval to Construct a Railway Line (the Application) submitted to the Canadian Transportation Agency (the Agency) under Section 98 of the *Canada Transportation Act* (the CTA).