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Dear Michel Groleau:

**RE: Kami Iron Ore Mine (the Project)**

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental environmental assessment screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by Part X of the Newfoundland and Labrador **Environmental Protection Act**, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required.

Additional project information is required to describe, at a minimum, the following:

- Estimate of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions;
- Air emissions dispersion modeling;
- Waste and water management plans for the entire Project;
- Updated groundwater report, including modeling;
- Potential effects of the proposed railway route and access road in the Wahnahnish Lake protected public water supply area (PPWSA);
- Verification of proposed power supply, location of transmission lines, substations and associated infrastructure and effects on ratepayers;
- Alternate power supply;
- Design of tailings management facility and water management dams;
- Additional information on plants, animals and permafrost;
- Potential effects on food security, traditional land use, health and community services, and other social determinants of health; and
- Potential effects on Pike Lake and the Duley Lake Provincial Park.



An Environmental Assessment Committee will be appointed for the purpose of providing the Minister with technical and scientific advice on the Project and providing you with comprehensive guidelines regarding the information to be included in the EIS. As per the legislative requirements, the EIS guidelines will be subject to consultation with Indigenous governments and organizations and the public and will be issued to you within 120 days of the date of this letter.

In accordance with the **Environmental Protection Act**, Project activities may not proceed until the undertaking is released from environmental assessment. Your undertaking may be subject to environmental assessment fees as described in the Environmental Assessment Fees Policy located at [Fees for Environmental Assessment - Environment and Climate Change \(gov.nl.ca\)](http://www.gov.nl.ca). Please review the fees policy and submit a detailed capital cost estimate for the undertaking to [EAPProjectComments@gov.nl.ca](mailto:EAPProjectComments@gov.nl.ca) within two weeks of receiving this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Joanne Sweeney, Director of the Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or email [joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca](mailto:joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca).

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Hon. Bernard Davis, MHA.

**HON. BERNARD DAVIS, MHA**  
District of Virginia Waters - Pleasantville  
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Cc: Jordan Brown, MHA – District of Labrador West