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By Email and Regular Mail

Mr. John Knapp
Site Manager
Teck Cominco Ltd., Polaris Operations
P.O. Box 188
Resolute Bay, NU
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Subject: Licence N4L2-0262 – 2002 Annual Report

Dear Mr. Knapp,

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") has completed its review of TeckCominco Limited's 2002 annual report for the Polaris Mine, pursuant to Part B, Item 3 of Licence N4L2-0262. The following item was identified during the review.

- Item B6 of Licence N4L2-0262's Surveillance Network Program requires that

"Water at Station Number 262-7 shall be sampled every three (3) days during periods of discharge and analyzed for the following parameters: Total Lead; Total Zinc; pH"

While these water measurements were alluded to in AXYS Environmental Consulting Limited's report on Garrow Lake, they were not located in a tabular format in the annual report. As this data is important for the NWB's records, TeckCominco is requested to provide this information in the 2003 Annual Report.

Other than the aforementioned item, the NWB has no further comments regarding the 2002 annual report, nor does it request additional information to be included in the forthcoming 2003 annual report beyond that required in water licence NWB1POL0311. The 2003 annual report is to be received by the NWB no later than March 31st, 2004. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at your convenience.

Yours truly,

Original signed by:

Patrick Duxbury
Reclamation Coordinator

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