December 1, 2017 NWB File No: 1BR-CUL1118

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Re: Water Licence Renewal Application 1BR-CUL1118

Dear Mr. Brugger:

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") acknowledges receipt on October 30, 2017 of your renewal water licence application, for the Cullaton Lake Project. This application has been assigned file number 1BR-CUL1118. Application documents received are as follows:

- Water Licence Application
- Inuktitut and English Summary
- Site Plans
- NPC and NIRB Correspondence
- Letter of Credit and Financial Statements
- Barrick Gold Inc. List of Current Officers
- Corporation Certificate of Registration
- Correspondence addressing recent INAC inspection report findings.
- Application fee payable to the Receiver General

Please be advised that under the Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement) Article 11, Section 11.5.9 and s. 76 (1) of *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA), the proponent of a project governed by NuPPAA is also required to submit a project proposal document (which may include the water licence application) directly to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission) for the NPC's determination regarding the applicable land use planning requirements and/or directions regarding whether the project is subject to screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board. In particular, please note that as established under Articles 11, 12 and 13 of the Nunavut Agreement, NuPPAA and Part 3 of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, until the project has completed the applicable land use planning and assessment process required by the NPC and the NIRB, the NWB cannot issue a water licence.

The NWB confirms receipt of NPC conformity under NuPPAA on October 13, 2017 and NIRB determination through NPC under NuPPAA on October 13, 2017. This application is now ready for review and comments. Deadline for submissions is **January 8, 2018**.

Please call the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 or email to <u>licensing@nwb-oen.ca</u> if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Richard Dwyer Licence Administrator

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