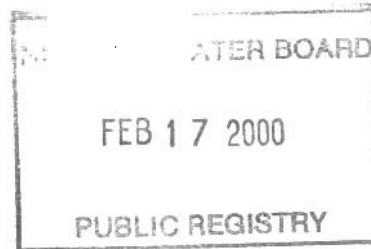




February 4, 2000



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Dear Ms. Filiatrault;

Re: Cullaton Lake – Water Licence NWB1CUL9902

In reference to my letter of September 15, 1999, one item remains outstanding. In order to plan the summer field season, I require an answer to our request for a change to the Conductivity requirement in the amended water licence.

The amended water licence requires that we measure field Conductivity. This has never been a requirement of our licence. In the past we have recorded field pH and temperature when we water sample. Conductivity has been sporadically measured in the laboratory. Measuring Conductivity in the field, at this time in the A&R program, would not add to our knowledge of the site. We cannot compare field Conductivity with the lab Conductivity results we have on file. Homestake is therefore requesting a change to the Conductivity requirement to allow us to measure Conductivity in the lab.

Thank you, Dionne, for your assistance with this request.

Yours truly,
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