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March 11, 2004

By Email and Regular Mail

Mr. John Martschuk Director, Environmental Services Barrick Gold Corporation BCE Place, Canada Trust Tower, Suite 3700 161 Bay Street, P.O. Box 212 Toronto, Ontario M5J 2S1

Subject: <u>Licence NWB1CUL0207 Annual Report 2002</u>

Dear Mr. Martschuk:

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") would like to acknowledge the timely submission and the receipt of the additional information as requested by the Board in the letter of November 21, 2003 with respect to the 2002 Annual Report. Information received included:

- 1. the accompanying cover letter which included a number of clarifications along with the additional Quality Control results from Cullaton Lake water sampling, July 3,2002;
- 2. submission of the "*Environmental Spill Plan*" dated November 2003 submitted in accordance with Part E, Item 2-this plan will be distributed for review and comments by the NWB; and
- 3. the drawing entitled "*Cullaton Lake; Site Layout and Sampling Locations*"-this drawing has been appended to the License for future reference as indicated under Part G, Item 4 of the License.

Following the Boards information request of November 21, 2003 the Board received comments on the 2002 Annual Report from the Government of Nunavut, Department of Sustainable Development (DSD). The comments are attached for your consideration in the 2003 Annual Report.

The NWB anticipates receipt of the 2003 annual report to be received no later than March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2004. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

## Original signed by:

David Hohnstein, C.E.T. Technical Advisor Mining

Attachment (1): DSD Comments cc Distribution list