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***Shear Lake Encapsulated Waste Rock Stockpile  
Cullaton Lake Gold Mine, Nunavut  
Licence NWB1CUL020***

Dear Sirs:

Further to your authorization, Trow arranged for a topographic survey of the Shear Lake Encapsulated Waste Rock Stockpile at the Cullaton Lake Gold Mine Site. The survey was performed on August 3, 2005 by Delta Survey Inc., under subcontract to Trow, during our annual tailings dam inspection. It was performed to address a requirement of the Nunavut Water Board, which states the following:

*".... suitable drawing(s) showing the as-built location of the encapsulated waste rock pile and its relationship to the site with respect to drainage and sensitive areas, its dimensions and cross sections....."*

The attached Figures 1 and 2 show the site plan and two typical cross sections, respectively.

Figure 1 indicates that generally, surface drainage from the stockpile is directed to the east, away from Shear Lake.

Trow was not present during the construction of the stockpile, reportedly in 2001. However, our observations suggest that the stockpile is covered with a layer of locally sourced glacial till, placed and compacted into a relatively low permeability cover. This was subsequently seeded and was re-seeded in early August 2005.

We trust that this letter is sufficient for your current requirements. Should you require clarification of some point, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

**Trow Associates Inc.**

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Attachments: Figures 1 and 2