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June 23, 2004

Re: Renewal of Water License NWB2JAC0203

On behalf of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), I would like to thank the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) for the opportunity to comment on the application of Twin Mining Corporation (the Proponent) for the renewal of Water License NWB2JAC0203.

In Section 7 of the Water License Application Form, the Proponent has requested water for use only within the camp, and identifies that no water is requested for drilling operations under this Water License. In Sections 19-22 of the Exploration/Remote Camp Supplementary Questionnaire, the Proponent indicates that all drilling activities on the Proponent's claim sites will be conducted by Kennecott Canada Exploration Limited (Kennecott). In Section 27 of the Exploration/Remote Camp Supplementary Questionnaire, the water associated with drilling activities is also delegated to Kennecott. INAC therefore requests that the Proponent provide the following information:

- The Kennecott Water License Application forms/plans referenced in Sections 19-22 of the Proponent's Exploration/Remote Camp Supplementary Questionnaire.
- 2) Kennecott Water License Application, Water License, or written submission from Kennecott that clearly indicates that the water required for the Proponent's drilling activities has been incorporated into Kennecott's water use plan, and will not cause Kennecott to exceed the allowed water use volumes of their Water License.
- 3) A Kennecott Water License Application, Water License, or written submission from Kennecott that clearly indicates that the water required for the Proponent's drilling activities has been incorporated into Kennecott's water use plan, and will not cause Kennecott to exceed the allowed water use volumes of their Water License.



4) A submission from Kennecott identifying that drilling for the Proponent will occur under a Kennecott Water License, and that Kennecott assumes all of the Water License terms, conditions, and liabilities for this drilling.

INAC recommends that Water License NWB2JAC0203 not be renewed until such time as the Proponent provides this information.

INAC also requests that the Proponent provide the following information with respect to the Spill Contingency and Response Plan (Spill Plan):

- 5) As the Spill Plan indicates that the spill response will be implemented as per instruction from Kennecott, the Proponent should provide:
 - a) A description of how the communication framework between the Proponent and Kennecott is organized, to ensure that information can be exchanged in an accurate and timely manner.
 - b) The name and 24 h contact information of the person on site who is responsible in the event of a spill.
 - c) The name and 24 h contact information of the Kennecott representative responsible for providing spill response information.
- 6) A description of the contents of the spill kits.
- A revised emergency contact sheet, with the 24 h Spill Report Line listed as (867) 920-8130.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions or concerns.

Best regards.

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