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Ms. Phyllis Beaulieu
Licensing Administrator
Nunavut Water Board
P.O. Box 119
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Dear Ms. Beaulieu,

Please find enclosed the necessary application forms and fees for a Water License for our Maze Lake Project, located in the Kivalliq District of Nunavut. The project will be operated by Placer Dome (CLA) Limited and involves mineral exploration work, including prospecting, surface geophysical survey and diamond drilling. A temporary camp will be constructed in support of those activities. The project was active in 2003 and consisted of prospecting, soil sampling and airborne geophysical surveying. Activities were conducted out of Rankin Inlet. The Nunavut Planner website forms have been submitted. A Land Use License application has also been submitted to the Kivalliq Inuit Association (KIA).

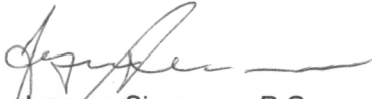
The following items are attached:

- The project brief in English and Inuktituk
- The NWB water application form
- The NWB remote camp questionnaire
- A Detailed Project Description
- The Spill Contingency Plan
- The Abandonment and Restoration Plan
- The \$30 application fee and the \$30.00 use fee.

In support of the application, I have also included a copy of the Land Use Permit application.

We are hoping to mobilize to initiate our exploration program on the 16th of July 2004. If there is anything I can do to help facilitate the application process or if you have any question or require any further information, please contact me or our project geologist Nathalie Prud'homme (613-230-5618).

Respectfully submitted,


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