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Mr. Mike Gunning Cominco Ltd. Exploration 400-1066 West Hastings St. Vancouver B.C V6E 3X1

Subject: For your information- Astarte River

Dear Mr. Mike Gunning,

I am sending the original copy of the above permit as well as an Inuktitut copy of the same.

For information purposes, I have enclosed a copy of all comments we received on this new application, as well as NIRB's screening report.

Sincerely,

Andrea Carter

A/Licensing Administrator

Cc: (with licence, comments, and NIRB's screening)

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