

Cambiex Exploration Inc.

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February 2, 2000

Ms. Rita Becker Licensing Administrator Nunavut Water Board, P.O. Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NT, X0E 1J0 FEB 0 3 2000

PUBLIC REGISTRY

Dear Ms. Becker,

Re: Water Licenses: NWB2WOL9800 Expiry February 14, 2000, NWB2WIN9800 Expiry February 14, 2000, and

NWB4WEI9799 Expiry March 31, 2000

Enclosed are Applications for Renewal for each of the above captioned water permits. Also enclosed is a cheque for \$90.00 to cover the \$30.00 application fee for each of the permits.

Could you please confirm that NWB will be able to issue interim extensions to the Wolverine and Windy water permits to ensure that Cambiex is in compliance for the period between February 14, 2000 and the anticipated renewal date.

Should you require any further information regarding this matter, do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (604) 951-3052 or by email at jmhowe@uniserve.com.

Sincerely,

Cambiex Exploration Inc.

Jane M. Howe Consultant

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Cambiex and their joint venture partner Miramar Hope Bay Ltd. recently purchased the Hope Bay Belt Gold Project from BHP Diamonds Ltd. Cambiex Exploration Inc. requests a 2 year renewal for three of their current water licenses: NWB2WIN9800, NWB2WOL9800 and NWB4WEI9799. The first two licenses authorize water use and disposal of waste associated with diamond drilling and camp domestic water usage in the Windy Lake and Wolverine Lake areas. The third license authorizes the installation and use of a device to record water flowing out of a small lake near Aimaogaktak Lake.

Previous work by BHP defined gold deposits at Doris Lake, Madrid and Boston. In order to further evaluate these deposits, Cambiex intends to conduct additional exploration in 2000 which will consist of diamond drilling near these deposits and the use of existing camp facilities at Windy Lake and Aimaogaktak Lake (Boston). The scope of activities contemplated by Cambiex are virtually identical to those activities previously conducted by BHP and for which water use authorization was previously granted by NWB.

Throughout the 1990's BHP conducted detailed exploration of the Hope Bay Belt, this work included over 180,000 metres of drilling. In 2000, Cambiex intends to conduct up to 20,000 metres of surface drilling at the Doris Lake deposit and at the South Patch exploration target. Diamond drilling, using up to four rigs, will be completed by J. T. Thomas Drilling, a contractor who has previously worked in the Hope Bay area. Other exploration activities which may be conducted during 2000 include mapping, prospecting, geophysical surveys, legal claim surveys and environmental baseline monitoring.

Cambiex recognizes that the Hope Bay region is environmentally very sensitive. The proposed work is not expected to have any significant negative impacts on the environment. Cambiex intends to conduct their exploration activities in an environmentally responsible manner and consistent with all applicable terms and conditions of their existing land use and water use licenses. Environmental policies that were previously adopted by BHP will be maintained.



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WATER LICENCE **APPLICATION FORM**

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Application for: (check one)		LED 0.2 5000	
New AmendmentX_Renewal	Assignment	PUBLIC REGISTRY	
LICENCE NO: NWB4WEI9799 (for NWB use only)			
1. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT/LICENSEE	2. ADDRESS OF CORPORATE OFFICE IN CANADA (if applicable)		
Jane M. Howe, on behalf of: CAMBIEX EXPLORATION INC. 10356 Skagit Drive Delta, BC, V4C 2K9	CAMBIEX EXPLORATION INC. Suite 850, 800 Rene Levesque Blvd. West Montreal, QC, H3B 1X9		
Phone: (604) 951-3052 Fax: (604) e-mail: jmhowe@uniserve.com	Phone: (514) 878-3166 Fax: (514) 878-3324		
 LOCATION OF UNDERTAKING (describe and attach a topographical map, indicating the main components of the Undertaking) 			
Outflow of Stickleback Lake, near Aimaogaktak Lake and the Boston Gold Deposit. Please see attached map.			
Latitude: 67°39'N Longitude: 106°22'W NTS Map No. 76O/09			
4. DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING (attach plans and drawings)			
In August 1997, a "V-notch" type temporary weir was constructed at the outflow of Stickleback Lake to record hydrological data. This weir facilitated the collection of water flow data during freshet and the open water season in 1998. Due to the lack of activity at the Boston site in 1999, there was no data collected at the weir during the 1999 open water season. Accordingly, Cambiex requests a renewal of this water permit to allow additional data to be collected at the site during 2000 and 2001.			
Please see Executive Summary			
5. TYPE OF UNDERTAKING (A supplementary questionnaire <u>must</u> be submitted with the application for undertakings listed in "bold")			
Industrial Remote/Tourism Camps Mine Development Municipal			
Advanced Exploration Power			
Exploratory DrillingX Other (describe): Construction, Operation and Removal of "V-notch" Weir			
Note: The requirement for a Supplementary Questionnaire was waived for this renewal application.			

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6. WATER USE To obtain water To divert a watercourse			
To divert a watercourse Flood control			
To alter the flow of , or store water X Other (describe): Measure water flow			
To cross a watercourse			
7. QUANTITY OF WATER INVOLVED (litres per second, litres per day or cubic metres per year, including both quantity to be used and quality to be returned to source)	-		
No water used.			
8. WASTE (for each type of waste describe: composition, quantity, methods of treatment and disposal, etc.)			
Sewage Waste oil	i		
Solid Waste Greywater			
Hazardous Sludges			
Bulky Items/Scrap Metal Other (describe):			
No waste deposited.			
 PERSONS OR PROPERTIES AFFECTED BY THIS UNDERTAKING (give name, mailing ac Location; attach if necessary) 	ldress and		
No persons or properties are affected by this undertaking.			
Land Use Permit			
DIAND Yes No If no, date expected			
Regional Inuit Association X Yes No If no, date expected Current: 197C141, and 195C05 New licenses anticipated mid-			
Commissioner Yes No If no, date expected	redition, 2000		
10. PREDICTED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF UNDERTAKING AND PROPOSED MITIGATION			
MEASURES (direct, indirect, cumulative impacts, etc.)			
No negative environmental impacts are anticipated as a result of this work.			
NIRB Screening X Yes No If no, date expected			
11. CONTRACTORS AND SUB-CONTRACTORS (name, address and functions)			
Rescan Environmental Services Ltd. Environmental Studies			
Rescall Environmental Services Etd.			
12. STUDIES UNDERTAKEN TO DATE (list and attach copies of studies, reports, research, etc.)			
Please refer to Supplementary Questionnaire submitted with original permit application.			
 A summary of the hydrological results collected at the weir during 1998 was included in the 1998 Environmental Data Report by Rescan. Numerous other environmental baseline studies have been ongoing in the Hope Bay area since 1996 including: water quality, meteorology, wildlife, Traditional Knowledge and hydrological studies. NWB should have copies of these reports. 			
All annual compliance reports have been submitted in a timely manner.			

13. THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS <u>MUST</u> BE INCLUDED WITH THE APPLICATION REGULATORY PROCESS TO BEGIN	FOR THE		
Supplementary Questionnaire (not requested) YesX No If no, date expected _			
Inuktitut/English Summary of Project X Yes No If no, date expected _			
Application fee \$30.00 (c/o of Receiver General for Canada) X Yes No If no, date expected			
14. PROPOSED TIME SCHEDULE			
Annual (or) X Multi Year			
Start Date: Ongoing seasonal activities Completion Date:			
Jane M. Howe Consultant Name (Print) Title (Print) Signature Date			
For Nunavut Water Board use only APPLICATION FEE Amount: \$30.00 Receipt No.:			
WATER USE DEPOSIT Amount: \$ Receipt No.:			