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Subject: NIRB Screening 05EN003 Mineral Exploration Henik Lake Area

Please review the attached and send comments by February 8th at 1:00pm local time.

Thanks

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050113NWB2HEN NIRB Screening - IMLE

3/8/2005

KIVALLIQ INUIT ASSOCIATION

APPLICATION FOR ACCESS TO INUIT OWNED LAND

Office use only

Category

242 III

Application No:

KVL305301

Accepted By:

J. Stettin



To be completed by all applicants

1. Applicant's name and mailing address (Full name, no initials or abbreviations)

Newmont Mining Corp.

1700 Lincoln Street, Denver, Colorado, USA, 80203

Telephone #

(303) 863-7414

Fax #

(303) 837-5837

2. Head Office address

Same as above

Telephone #

Fax no.

3. Field supervisor and address if different from above
Dean Besserer (of APEX Geoscience Ltd.)

#200, 9797-45 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T6E 5V8

Telephone #

(780) 439 5380

4. Other personnel list (Subcontractors or contractors to be used)

Numbers will vary, but up to a maximum of: 25 contract technical personnel (geological/geophysical); 2 camp support personnel (cook, local hire.); 2 helicopter pilot/ 1 engineer; 10 contract drillers

Total no. of personnel: max. 40

No. of person days: 200

5. Location of activities by map coordinates. Attach ORIGINAL maps and sketches.

MAX Latitude	Degrees 61	Minutes 39	Seconds 40	MAX Longitude	Degrees 98	Minutes 6	Sec
MIN Latitude	Degrees 61	Minutes 29	Seconds 45	MIN Longitude	Degrees 97	Minutes 54	Sec

Map Sheet No: 65G-9, 65H-12 65H-11 Inuit Land Parcel No: AR-27 and 31 (See attached map)

Coordinate of camp (if applicable) Lat. ° ' " Long. ° ' "

NOTE: Please specify projection, datum, and digital format. Please provide the data as an Arc Info cover, ArcView Shape file or an .E00 file.

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No camp will be constructed on IOL.

6. Periods of operation; including periods of seasonal shut down and periods for restoration.

March - November

7. Period of access required (up to one or two years for licenses, depending on license level, up to five years for residential/recreational leases and level I and II commercial leases, and up to forty years for level III commercial leases)	Start date	Completion Date
	0 1 / 0 3 2005	3 0 / 1 1 2008

8. Other rights, licenses, permits or leases related to this application. Provide proof of rights or indicate if in the process of applying for rights.

<input type="checkbox"/> NTI Subsurface Right	<input type="checkbox"/> NRI Research License	<input type="checkbox"/> CWS Permit
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DIAND Subsurface Right	<input type="checkbox"/> RWED Tourism License	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NWB Water License	<input type="checkbox"/> Explosives Permit	Specify: _____
# _____		

Currently in the process of applying for licences and permits.

9. TYPE OF LAND USE ACTIVITY

Check off the appropriate land use activities.

Mining/Oil & Gas

- Staking and Prospecting
- Exploration (geophys-grd/air)
- Drilling (diamond/ice, etc)
- Mine (open pit, underground)
- Bulk fuel storage
- Other: Temporary fuel drum cache

Construction:

- Camp
- Building
- Winter road
- All Season road
- Quarrying
- Other: _____

Tourism:

- Tourism facility
- Outfitting
- Other: _____

Municipality:

- Bulk Storage
- Residential Building
- Commercial Building
- Other: _____

Research:

- Wildlife/fish/birds/marine
- Survey (grd/aerial/collars)
- Collection of species
- Research Satiation
- Other: _____

Other:

- Commercial harvest
- Recreational Camp
- Other: _____

Water Use

10. TYPE OF WATER USE

Select the kind of project for which you will use the water, and the type of water use

Undertaking

- Advanced Exploration
- Exploration Drilling
- Industrial
- Mine Development
- Power
- Remote/Tourism
- Other: _____

Water Use:

- To Obtain Water
- To Modify the bed or bank of water course
- To Alter the flow of, or store water
- To Cross the Watercourse
- To Divert the Watercourse
- Flood Control
- Other: _____

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11. QUANTITY OF WATER INVOLVED

Please include the quantity of water will use during the Land Use activity

Quantity of water to be used:

2,000	m ³ /year
returned	

Quantity to be returned:

12. WASTE

Describe the type of waste produced by the activity

- Bulky Items/Scrap metals
- Grey water
- Hazardous
- Sewage
- Sludge
- Solid waste
- Waste Oil
- Other:

Describe:

13. LAND USE PERMIT

Select Land Use Permit Issued

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DIAND	yes	If not, date expected	Permit applied for
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kivalliq Inuit Association	yes	If not, date expected	Permit being applied for
<input type="checkbox"/> Commissioner	yes	If not, date expected	
<input type="checkbox"/> Department of Environment	yes	If not, date expected	

14. IMPACT

Predicted environmental impacts of undertaking and proposed mitigation measures (direct, cumulative impacts)

Describe:

Environmental impacts will be minimal as activities will be helicopter supported. Drill cuttings and water will be collected in a sump which will be located well above the normal high water mark. All employees will be familiar with the *Environmental Procedures Plan* and will record the location of any den sites found so that they can be avoided. Any archaeological finds will be reported immediately and will be avoided. Please refer to the *Environmental Procedures Plan* attached for more details.

NPC conformity check

NIRB Screening

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	If not, date expected
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	This project has not been screened.

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Proposed Time Schedule

Same as the Land Use

Check for **Annual Work**, specify the days of operation [Leave unchecked for multi year work]
Start day Completion date

15. On a separate page, provide a **NON-TECHNICAL** project summary. This should include a non-technical description of the project proposal, no more than 300 words, in English and Inuktitut (Inuinaktun, in the West Kitikmeot). The project description should outline the project activities and their necessity, method of transportation, any structures that will be created, expected duration of activity and alternatives considered. If the proposed activity fits into any long-term developments, please describe the projected outcome of the development for the area and its timeline.

16. Attach a detailed project description as outlined in **APPENDIX A**.

17. Land Use Application Fees:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use License I
Inuit \$ 0.00
Non-Inuit \$100.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Lease I \$1000.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use License II \$100.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Lease II \$2500.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Use License III \$500.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Lease III \$5000.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Residential/Recreational Lease
Inuit \$ 0.00
Non-Inuit \$ 250.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Right of Way Agreement \$500.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exemption Certificate \$0.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Marble Island Tourism
Inuit \$ 0.00
No-Inuit \$10.00 |

Land use fees: # of hectares used @ \$50.00/hectare = \$50.00

Note: The land use fee is for the amount of land used on an annual basis.

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18. Water Application Fees:

Water License Application type:

- For Land Use license Class I
the corresponding *Water Application fee* is \$50.00 per year plus \$ 1 for Water use charge, *Volumetric fee*, Total \$51 every year
- For Land Use License Class II the corresponding *Water Application fee* is \$250.00 every 2 years plus \$ 1 for Water use charge, *Volumetric fee*, Total \$251.00 every year
- For Land Use License III
The corresponding *Water Application fee* is \$500.00 every 2 years and \$26.35/1000m³ for Water Use charge *Volumetric fee*. Total \$276.35 every year
- For Commercial Lease I
The corresponding *Water Application fee* is \$50.00 and \$ 26.35 /1000m³ for Water use charge, *Volumetric fee*. Total \$76.35 every year
- For Commercial Lease II
The corresponding *Water Application fee* is \$500.00 and \$ 26.35 /1000m³ for Water use charge, *Volumetric fee*. Total \$526.35 every year
- For Commercial Lease III,
The corresponding *Water Application fee* is \$5000.00 and \$ 26.35 /1000m³ for Water use charge, *Volumetric fee*. Total \$5026.35 every year

Water Use Fee [Volumetric fee]: # volume water use (m³) * \$26.35/1000m³ = \$ 52.70

Note: The water application type is related to the Land use application type. A water Protection fee will be charge according to the type and stage of the development project.

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19. a) The Applicant request a Certificate of Exemption

OR

b) The Applicant agrees to be bound by terms and conditions to be attached to the Inuit Land User License or Lease

Sign name in full:

Dean Bessier
Signature

Dec 17, 2004
Date

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APPENDIX A: TECHNICAL SUMMARY

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1700 Lincoln Street,
Denver, Colorado, USA, 80203**

1 Project Activities

Project activities will involve ground and airborne geophysical surveys, rock and till sampling, prospecting and mapping followed by helicopter supported diamond drilling for gold. Initial diamond drilling should not exceed 3000 metres, in an undetermined number of drillholes. Given the geological complexity of paleo-placer style gold deposits it is expected that these activities could continue for several years, if initial results are encouraging. The object of the exploration is the discovery of an economic gold deposit. In the long term, assuming a prospective deposit were discovered, activities would lead to the establishment of support infrastructure for a mining operation.

Newmont Mining Corp. intends to be conducting geophysical surveys, mapping, prospecting, sampling and drilling within the project area during 2005 and plan on using one base camp as a staging area for all exploration.

2 Expected Schedule

March 2005 Mobilize fuel and field crews to the main camp to conduct geophysical surveys and a potential drill program.

June-Sept 2005 With intermittent breaks in the exploration program we expect to conduct rock sampling, geological mapping, ground geophysics and diamond drilling during the snow-free months.

We are planning a similar schedule for the summer 2006 program provided that results of the 2005 program are encouraging.

3 See attached plan maps

4 Structures

We have no plans to erect structures on land parcels covered by this land use permit. Exploration will be staged out of a maximum forty (40)

person (maximum) camp located on Crown Land. The camp consists of 12 insulated canvas tents built on plywood floors and a small generator shack. Empty fuel drums will be backhauled to the nearest community on a regular basis for proper disposal

5 Equipment

Equipment:	Use:	Impact:
Diamond Drill Rig	Core Drilling	Minimal
Helicopter	Transporting Field Personnel	None
Tents	Field personnel support impact	no permanent
Portable Generators	Small Camp electrical supply in field power for geophysics	No expected impacts
Fixed-Wing Aircraft	Personnel and supply mob/ demob on airstrips	minimal surface Impact on airstrips

6 Fuel

One fuel cache will be stored on Inuit Owned Land parcels mentioned above. The fuel cache will be located at the Henik Lake strip (65H11, IOL Parcel AR27 (see attached map). Fuel stored at this location will include up to 60 drums of Jet-B, 40 drums of diesel, 2 drums of gasoline. There will be fuel located at each drill site, there will be maximum 10 drums of fuel; 4 diesel drums, 1 gasoline drum, 5 Jet-B drums and 2 100lb propane bottles and all empty drums will be flown to Rankin Inlet for proper disposal.

7 Fuel Spill Contingency Plan

Attached the fuel spill contingency plan. Fuels will be stored at the Henik Lake strip until needed at drill sites. A maximum of 10 fuel drums at the drill site.

- All barrels checked on arrival for leaking bungs or split seams.
- Barrels rolled such that bungs are horizontal.

- Fuel to be stored at the Henik Lake strip will be stored well above the high water mark in proximity to the edge of the working airstrip
- Oil absorbent matting kept on hand for quick response
- Danger and No Smoking signs posted at fuel caches.
- Safe fuel handling practices discussed at regular safety meetings.
- Spills will be reported immediately to the 24-Hour Spill Line at (867) 920-8130 to the DIAND Water Resources Inspector in Nunavut at (867) 975-4298, Environment Canada personnel at 867-975-4639 Depleted barrels to be safely stored with bungs replaced.
- A fuel spill kit will be located at the drill site.

8 Camp Waste Disposal

All areas designated for waste disposal shall be located a minimum of thirty (30) metres from the high water mark of any water body. Greywater will be disposed of at a site where direct flow into a water body is not possible. All non-combustible camp waste including sewage, hazardous waste and waste oil will be backhauled to Rankin Inlet and disposed of in approved waste disposal sites. Non-hazardous combustible wastes will be incinerated in a modified 45-gallon drum.

9 Transportation

Transportation to and from the field area and drill sites will be via helicopter. Fixed wing support (wheel, ski, float) based in Rankin Inlet will be used to position field equipment and be used for camp, drill and geophysical support.

10 Environmental Components

As the project is still in the initial exploration phase and the environmental impact will be minimal, all effort will be made to ensure that no permanent environmental damage is done. If a significant mineral discovery is made in the project area and further mineral development is required, a comprehensive environmental assessment will be initiated.

11 Potential Environmental Impacts:

No permanent stress to vegetation is expected around sites of ground geophysical surveys and drill sites.

The environmental impact of exploratory diamond drilling is minimal. The drilling activity usually results in a small puddle of drill cuttings

contained near the drill site. Any cuttings resulting from the drilling activity will be impounded at or near the site to prevent dispersion to the surrounding area. All water used in the drilling process will be pumped above the high water mark and away from any water drainages. If drilling additives are required for technical reasons such as drill hole stabilization through broken or faulted bedrock they will be employed only as a last resort. All efforts will be made to limit their usage.

Should drill sites be located on frozen lakes or where natural drainage is toward such lakes, great caution will be used to ensure that materials and cuttings will not be allowed to accumulate on the lake surface. Any water used in the drilling process or cuttings will be pumped to an area above the high water mark and away from any water drainages

Wildlife nesting and den sites will be respected and efforts will be made to avoid disturbing natural wildlife. A registry of mammal, bird and fish sightings will be initiated for the IOI parcels and surrounding area. Helicopter flights will be restricted to 1500 feet above ground level where practical.

Sites showing evidence of native human activity will be documented and assigned a GPS coordinate and subsequently reported to the KIA lands officer in Rankin Inlet, the Deputy Minister of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth in Iqaluit and to the Archeological Survey in Ottawa. Nothing will be collected or disturbed at any archeological or potential archeological sites.

12 Reclamation Cost Analysis:

All of the costs associated with the reclamation plan have been incorporated into the project budget. Any additional reclamation costs will be taken out of the project budget to insure that all reclamation work is completed.

13 Reclamation Plan:

Following the completion of each land based drill hole, drill casings will be removed if possible or cut off level with the ground. Should ground water flow from the drill hole, it will be plugged and cemented in bedrock before drill stem removal to prevent such flow.

For lake based drill holes, all holes will be plugged and cemented in bedrock, below the lake bottom and the drill casing will be removed from the lake. No material or residue will be allowed to accumulate on the lake

surface. Any material that may become frozen into the ice during drilling activities will be chipped out and removed to camp for proper disposal.

All equipment, fuels and supplies will be removed from the drill sites upon completion of each hole. The project manager shall then inspect each site to ensure that it is properly restored.

All materials will be backhauled to our main camp. On future re-supply of the camps, noncombustible waste will be removed.

14 Socio-Economic Benefits:

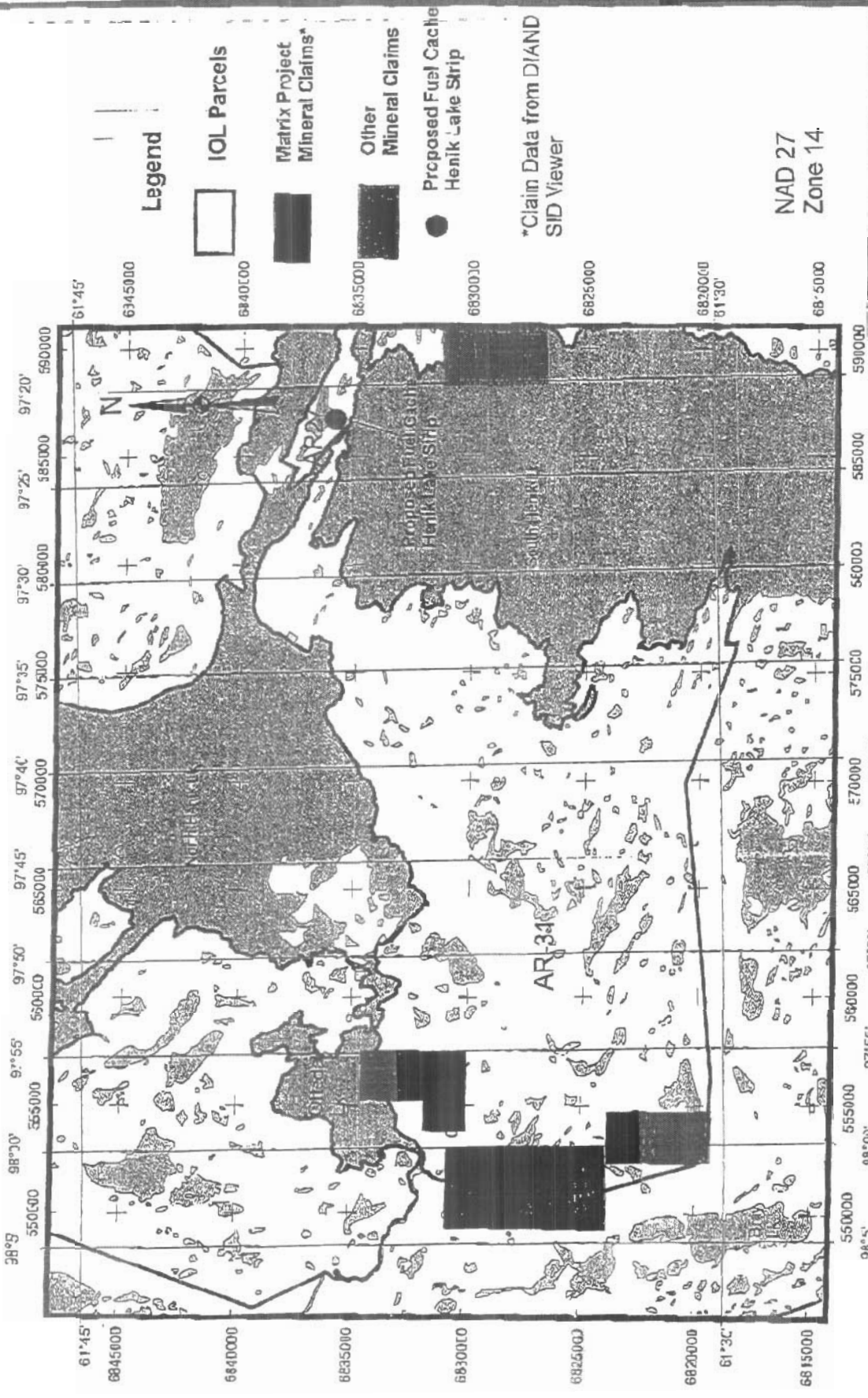
Support services where practical will be sourced in local communities. The long-term goal is the exploitation of an economic resource that would provide the local economy with sustainable employment and infrastructure. Nunavut registered companies will be favoured for logistical and technical support.

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Abandonment and Restoration Plan

Upon completion of the Land Use operation and exploration of the Matrix Project, the following steps and procedures will be implemented to allow proper abandonment and reclamation of the area. This plan will be updated on a yearly basis and/or when changes to the exploration plan warrant it.

1. Sumps will be monitored and if required will be back filled and recontoured.
2. All burnable garbage will be incinerated in a modified burn drum.
3. All camp materials, fuel drums, and drilling equipment will be removed from the site.
4. All drilling sumps will be monitored and if required they will be backfilled and recontoured.
5. Each drill site will be inspected prior to departure to make sure all garbage has been removed.
6. The above procedures have been put in place to ensure that Newmont Mining Corp. are off site, there is little or no impact to the property.



Legend

-  IOL Parcels
-  Matrix Project Mineral Claims*
-  Other Mineral Claims
-  Proposed Fuel Cache Henik Lake Strip

*Claim Data from DIAND SID Viewer

NAD 27
Zone 14.

Newmont Mining Corp
APEX Geoscience Ltd.

Matrix Project
Mineral Claim Locations

1:250,000

Edmonton AB

Dec. 2004

10 0 10 Kilometers

SPILL CONTINGENCY PLAN
For Camps and Remote Operations

Newmont Mining Corp.

November 2004

1.0 Introduction

The Newmont Mining Corp. Spill Contingency Plan shall be in effect from March 1, 2005 to November 2008. All future amendments will be posted and recorded on the attached amendment record form.

This Newmont Mining Corp. Spill Contingency Plan will encompass all its camps and active remote sites in Canada.

This Spill Contingency Plan is posted at operational remote sites.

Newmont Mining Corp. endeavors to take every reasonable precaution toward ensuring the protection and conservation of the natural environment, the safety and health of Newmont Mining Corp. employees and contractors and (protecting) the community (at large) from any harmful effects of its materials and operations.

2.0 Facilities

Proposed location: Henik Lake Airstrip, Matrix Camp

2005 FUEL CACHES

Fuel Cache	Project	UTM (m) NAD27, Zone 14V	
		Easting	Northing
1	Matrix	586000	6836300
2	Matrix Camp	tbd	tbd

3.0 Responding to Failures and Spills

3.1 Spill Response Contact List

DIAND Water Resources Inspector
Nunavut
(867) 975-4298

Environment Canada
Nunavut
(867) 975-4639

Newmont Mining Corp.
1700 Lincoln Street,
Denver, Colorado, USA,
80203
Bus: (303) 863-7414

APEX Geoscience Ltd.
Suite 200, 9797-45 Avenue, Edmonton, AB T6E 5V8
Dean Besserer, Vice-President and Project Supervisor
Bus: (780) 439 5380
Cell: (780) 916 5782

3.2 Basic Steps — Spill Procedure

In the case of any spill or other environmental emergency, it is necessary to react in the most immediate, safe, and environmentally responsible manner. No spill or incident is so minor that it can be ignored.

The basic steps of the response plan are as follows:

1. Ensure the safety of all persons at all times.
2. Identify and find the spill substance and its source, and, if possible, stop the process or shut off the source.
3. Inform the immediate supervisor or his/her designate at once, so that he/she may take appropriated action. (Appropriate action includes the notification of a government official, if required, Spill Report forms are included in Appendix 3.
4. Contain the spill or environmental hazard, as per its nature, and as per the advice of the Spill Line as required.
5. Implement any necessary cleanup or remedial action.

3.3 Reporting

1. Immediately notify Newmont Mining Corp. and APEX Geoscience. Spills will be reported to the 24-Hour Spill Line at (867) 920-8130, the DIAND Water Resources Inspector in Nunavut at (867) 975-4298, and Environment Canada personnel at 867-975-4639

immediately.

2. *A Spill Report Form (Appendix 2)* is filled out as completely as possible before or after contacting the 24 Hour Spill Line.
3. Other members of the team are notified as deemed necessary.

3.4 Other contacts for spill response/assistance

Environment Canada:

Environmental Protection Yellowknife: 867-669-4728

Indian and Northern Affairs

Land Use Inspection: Ken Dahl: 867-669-2757

Water Licence Inspection Philip DePiso: 867-360 6338

Fisheries and Oceans Canada Ron Allen: 867-669-6641

GNWT Environmental Protection Service Ken Hall: 867-876-7654

4.0 Responding to the spill

1. First steps to take when a spill occurs:
 - Ensure your own safety and that of others around you, beginning with those nearest to the scene.
 - Control danger to human life, if necessary.
 - Identify the source of the spill.
 - Notify your supervisor.
 - Assess whether or not the spill can be readily stopped.
 - Contain or stop the spill at the source, if possible, by following these actions:

If filling is in progress, STOP AT ONCE.

Close or shut off valves.

Place plastic sheeting at the foot of the tank, barrel, or piece of equipment to prevent seepage into the ground or runoff of fuel

Use absorbent materials (sheets, pads, booms) to absorb and contain the fuel spill.

2. Next steps to take:
 - Determine status of the spill event.
 - If necessary, pump fuel from a damaged and/or leaking tank or drum into a refuge container.
 - Notify the 24-hour Spill Report Line, and receive further instructions from the appropriate contact agencies
 - Complete and Fax a copy of the Spill Report Form (*Appendix 3*).
 - Notify permitting authorities.
 - If possible, resume cleanup and containment.

4.1 Fuel Spills on Land

"Land" may be defined as soil, gravel, sand, rock, and vegetation. Advice on spill containment and cleanup may be obtained from the 24-Hour Spill Line.

Procedure for Spills on Rock

For hydrocarbon spills on rock outcrops, boulder fields, etc.:

- 1) First responder or his designate obtains plastic tarp(s) and absorbent sheeting on-site.
- 2) A berm of peat, native soil or snow is constructed down slope of the seepage or spill.
- 3) The tarp is placed in such a way that the fuel can pool for collection and removal (e.g. at the foot of the berm). If there is a large volume of spilled product, pump the liquid into spare empty drums for sealing and disposal.
- 4) Absorbent sheeting is placed on the rock to soak up spilled oil, fuel, etc.
- 5) Multi Sorb (crushed lava rock) can be used to scrub the rock surface.
- 6) Saturated material is disposed of in an empty drum, which is then labeled and sealed. Alternatively, the pads may be wrung out into the empty drum(s), the drums marked and then secured for eventual disposal.

Procedure for Spills on Land

- 1) First responder or his designate obtains plastic tarp(s), absorbent sheeting, Multi Sorb or other ultra-dry absorbent and any other necessary spill containment equipment, pump, hoses, etc.
- 2) A berm of peat, native soil or snow is constructed down slope of the seepage or spill.
- 3) The tarp is placed in such a way that the fuel can pool for collection and removal (e.g. at the foot of the berm). If there is a large volume of spilled product, pump the liquid into spare empty drums, and dispose of product as advised by the 24-Hour Spill Line.
- 4) Petroleum-product sheen on vegetation may be controlled by applying a thin dusting of Multi Sorb or other ultra-dry absorbent to the groundcover.
- 5) Contact the 24-Hour Spill Line, Receive instructions from the appropriate contact agencies listed in Section 5.4 regarding collection of the contaminated soil or vegetation, its removal and site cleanup/restoration.

4.2 Fuel Spills on Water

It is important to immediately limit the extent of spill. The following is the procedure to be implemented when an incident occurs:

- 1) If the spill is small, deploy hydrophobic (water repellent) absorbent pads on the water. Hydrophobic pads readily absorb hydrocarbons. Alternatively, an ultra-dry absorbent designed for use on water-based spills may be deployed.
- 2) If the spill is larger, ready several empty drums to act as refuge containers for the spill.
- 3) Deploy *containment* booms on the water surface to "fence in" the spill area gradually and to prevent it from spreading. Keep in mind those environmental factors such as high winds and wave action can adversely affect attempts at spill cleanup.
- 4) *Absorbent* booms can then be deployed to encircle and then absorb any hydrocarbon spillage that may have escaped the *containment* boom.
- 5) Once a boom has been secured, a skimmer may be brought on-scene to aid in capture of the hydrocarbon; once captured, the product should be pumped to the empty fuel

drums and held for disposal.

4.3 Fuel spills on Snow and Ice

By its nature, snow is an absorbent, and fuel spilled on snow is collected with relative ease, either by shovel, in the case of small range spills, and by loader, in the case of more extensive spills.

Procedure for spills on Snow

- 1) Assess the nature of the spill. Necessary equipment might include shovels, plastic tarp(s), empty drums, and wheeled equipment.
- 2) Shovel or scrape contaminated snow and deposit in empty refuge drums. If the spill is more extensive, build peat-bale berms or compacted snow berms with plastic over top, around the affected area.

Procedure for spills on Ice

Spills on ice are handled in similar fashion as those on snow. However, as ice presents the added danger of immediate access to water, care must be taken to respond quickly to such spills. Should fuel seep or flow through cracks or breaks in the ice, despite all precautions, assistance should be sought immediately.

- 1) Construct a compacted-snow berm around the edge of the spill area.
- 2) Although hard ice will retard or prevent fuel entry to the receiving waters below, all contaminated snow and ice, as well as objects embedded in the ice (such as gravel or frozen absorbent pads) must be scraped from the ice surface and disposed of in an appropriated manner.
- 3) Contact the 24-Hour Spill Line. Receive disposal instructions (e.g. sealing in drums, burn off, etc.) from the appropriate contact agencies listed in *Section 5.4*.

4.4 Procedure for Chemical Spills

- 1) Assess the hazard of the spilled material. REFER TO THE MSDS SHEETS NOW. Members of the emergency response team who might be susceptible in certain situations, (such as asthmatics, where fumes or airborne particles are evident), should be replaced with alternates.
- 2) Assemble the necessary safety equipment before response (e.g. latex or other protective gloves, goggles, or safety glasses, masks or breathers, etc.)
- 3) Apply absorbents to soak up liquids.
- 4) Place plastic sheeting over solid chemicals, such as dusts and powders, to prevent their disbursement by wind or investigation by birds or other mammals.
- 5) Neutralize acids or caustics. Place spilled material and contaminated cleanup supplies in an empty refuge drum and seal for disposal.
- 6) Contact the 24-Hour Spill Line. Receive instructions on disposal methods and designated locations from the appropriate contact agencies listed in *Section 5.4*.

4.5 Procedure for Loss of External Load

The loss of external loads of fuel, oil, or chemicals from aircraft almost certainly results in complete and catastrophic failure of the container that once held the product. Immediate response is imperative.

- 1) Mark the loss target with GPS coordinates and relay to camp or base ASAP. Include quantity and type of load loss.
- 2) Base or camp will contact 24-Hour Spill Line, and receive direction and instruction.
- 3) Administer the appropriate procedure for Spills on Land, Water, Snow, or Ice.

5.0 Spill Equipment

Complete spill kits, oil absorbent kits, are kept on hand at all camps. Spill kits contain Multi Sorb, crushed lava rock, hydrophobic absorbant matting, goggles, plastic sheeting, protective gloves, shovel, garbage bags, empty drum.

6.0 Training and Practice Drills

Training

All members of the Response Team will be familiar with the spill response resources at hand, this Contingency Plan, and appropriate spill response methods. Involvement of other employees may be required, from time to time.

This familiarity will be acquired through:

- 1) Initial or refresher training, as appropriate, provided once per season.
- 2) Regular inventory updates are provided in list form to all team members. Information to be reported includes listing of all resources, number of items, their location, condition, date of last inspection and any special comments (such as expiry dates, under whose authority they may be accessed and special handling instructions).

Practice Drills

Newmont Mining Corp. is aware that without practice, no Contingency Plan has value.

At least one practice drill will be held per season to give personnel a chance to practice emergency response skills. Each practice will be evaluated and a report prepared with the objective of learning where gaps and deficiencies (either in skills or physical resources) exist, and in what areas more practice is required.

Summary

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Attn: Dean Besserer

**2005 Land Use Plan
Henik Lake Region, Nunavut**

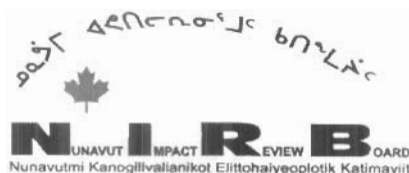
Mineral Exploration southwest Henik Lake Area

Government supported geological mapping through the early part of the 1990's identified anomalous gold mineralization south of Ofedal Lake, west of North and South Henik lakes. Follow-up prospecting has outlined the apparent continuity of paleo-placer gold mineralization in the area underlain by the Matrix Claim Group within IOL Parcel AR31. Our company is seeking to cooperate with the communities, local Inuit Associations, the Nunavut Government and the Federal Government so that all may benefit from mineral discoveries without adversely affecting the natural way of the wildlife, the people and the land.

The purpose of our activities under this land use licence is to evaluate the potential for economic concentrations of minerals within Inuit land parcels and adjacent Federal Crown Lands within NTS map sheets 65G and 65H, specifically NTS 65G9 and 65H12 and to place a temporary fuel cache at the Henik Lake airstrip (NTS 65H11; IOL parcel AR27). Our exploration plan is to conduct geological mapping, geophysical surveys (airborne and ground), rock and soil sampling, prospecting, and diamond drilling.

We plan to initiate activities in early March, 2005, with field crews working out of a main camp located on Crown Lands. All activities will be helicopter supported from the camp. Our 2005 program will be completed in several stages and will likely be complete in November 2005. The 2006 program will be based on results of the 2005 exploration results.

Newmont Mining Corp. and their partners recognize the importance of our role in discovering mineral deposits and that our exploration programs must be conducted in the most socially and environmentally responsible fashion possible. Thank you for your consideration into this matter and we look forward to working with you.



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March 8, 2005

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Dear Mr. Besserer:

RE: Project Proposal Acknowledgement for the Exploration Application

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) acknowledges receipt on January 4, 2005 of your land use application. All the documents received, and pertaining to the application, can be obtained from our ftp site (<http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nirb>) under file 05EN003. They include the following:

- *KIA application for access to Inuit Owned Land*
- *Project Summary in English*
- *Technical Summary*
- *Map*
- *Spill Contingency Plan*
- *Abandonment and Restoration Plan*

A project summary in Inuktitut is still outstanding and is required to complete your application, please forward this information to NIRB immediately so no delays occur in the screening of your application.

Finally, by copy of this letter to the distribution list including municipalities, communities and groups most affected by your application, and the enclosed comment form, we invite interested persons to comment directly to the NIRB by Tuesday, February 8, 2005.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Gladys Joudrey
Manager of Environmental Administration

Encl: Comment Form
Cc: Distribution List

COMMENT FORM FOR NIRB SCREENINGS

The Nunavut Impact Review Board has a mandate to protect the integrity of the ecosystem for the existing and future residents of Nunavut. In order to assess the environmental and socio-economic impacts of the project proposals, NIRB would like to hear your concerns, comments and suggestions about the following project application:

Project Title: Mineral Exploration in the Henik Lake Area	
Proponent: Newmont Mining Corp.	
Location: Kivalliq Region, NU	
Comments Due By: February 8, 2005 1:00pm	NIRB #: 05EN003
Indicate your concerns about the project proposal below:	
<input type="checkbox"/> no concerns	<input type="checkbox"/> traditional uses of land
<input type="checkbox"/> water quality	<input type="checkbox"/> Inuit harvesting activities
<input type="checkbox"/> terrain	<input type="checkbox"/> community involvement and consultation
<input type="checkbox"/> air quality	<input type="checkbox"/> local development in the area
<input type="checkbox"/> wildlife and their habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> tourism in the area
<input type="checkbox"/> marine mammals and their habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> human health issues
<input type="checkbox"/> birds and their habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fish and their habitat	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> heritage resources in area	_____
Please describe the concerns indicated above:	
Do you have any suggestions or recommendations for this application?	
Do you support the project proposal? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Any additional comments?	
Name of person commenting: _____	of _____
Position: _____	Organization: _____
Signature: _____	Date: _____