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File No: 2AM-DOH----

June 21, 2007

Ms. Leslie Payette
Manager, Environmental Administration
Nunavut Impact Review Board
P.O. Box 2379
Cambridge Bay, NU XOE OCO

Sent via e-mail.

Dear Ms. Payette,

Subject: **Doris North Gold Mine – Proposed Modifications to the Project Proposal.**

On June 8, 2007, Miramar Hope Bay Limited (MHBL) provided the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or the Board) with correspondence setting out the following modifications to the Doris North Gold Mine project, including:

- Correspondence dated June 8, 2007 from Larry Connell of Miramar Hope Bay Ltd. to Phyllis Beaulieu of the Nunavut Water Board (attached)
 - a. Planned increase to electrical capacity;
 - b. Increase to annual consumption for fuel;
 - i. Air Emission dispersion model;
 - ii. Fuel Storage Capacity and Handling Procedures;
 - c. Roberts Bay Jetty – Barge Anchoring Blocks;
 - d. Doris Lake Fresh Water Intake;
 - e. Jetty Access Road to construct Shorefast Rock Spurs
 - f. Roberts Bay
 - i. Roberts Bay Jetty – Actual Infill Area
 - ii. Roberts Bay Access Road Construction Turnouts
 - g. Site Roads – Replacement of Culverts by Coarse Rock Drains
 - h. Underground Mine Ventilation Raise Service Access Road
 - i. Cyanide Destruction Methodology (Caro's Acid to SO₂ Air)

The NWB is aware that NIRB has recently received the above information from MHBL.

The NWB is also aware that a Project Certificate for the Doris North Gold Project was issued on September 15, 2006, pursuant to Section 12.5.12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA). The NWB requests that the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) review the above information to determine if the proposed modifications/changes require screening pursuant to section 12.4.3 of the NLCA.

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The NWB has set the Hearing date for the Doris North Gold Mine water license application to take place in Cambridge Bay Aug. 13-15. The NWB now will wait to see if: (a) NIRB takes jurisdiction and (b) the screening takes longer than, or its conclusion otherwise affects, the August 13th deadline NWB hearing. In that regard, the timeline for the NWB parties' submissions is set at July 30, 2007, though these deadlines will respect and reflect if need be, NIRB's decision.

Accordingly, the Board appreciates receiving NIRB's determination on the need for and/or timelines for screening as soon as possible and if a screening is required, the timeline for the screening and its results. In case it may help NIRB, the NWB is enclosing its Appendices and documents prepared and confirmed by attending parties at the recently held Doris PHC. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact the undersigned at 867-360-6338 or exec@nunavutwaterboard.org.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Dionne Filiatrault, P. Eng.,
A/Executive Director

Attached: June 8, 2007 letter from MHL to NWB
NWB Pre-hearing Decision and Appendices

cc. MHL
Doris North Distribution List
Minister of INAC