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Subject: Hope Bay Amendment No. 3 to 2AM-DOH0713 and approval of the Waste Rock and Ore Management Plan
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Dear Dionne and Dave,

I am writing to see if you have any time tomorrow to discuss HBML's Amendment No. 3 to 2AM-DOH0713, currently out for public comment until November 26th, 2011. The amendment requests the Board to make any changes necessary to the license in order to implement the Waste Rock and Ore Management Plan submitted to the Board in December 2010 and commented on during the Spring and Summer of 2011. Given the previous lengthy comment period on the Plan, we do not anticipate that there will be much in the way of public comment on this application.

Provided the Board finds the changes to the license acceptable, HBML would like to have the amendment in hand as soon as possible as we are quickly running out of storage space on the Temporary Waste Rock Storage Pad and are at risk of having to significantly curtail activity at site as a result of this. Our understanding is that the Board staff do not have any technical concerns in placing rock on Pads F and G but are of the view that an amendment is required before HBML can proceed with the placement of this rock.

To that end, we would like to make sure that we are doing all we can to support the Board in processing this amendment in a timely way. We would like to get the Board's consideration of Amendment 3 on its agenda on the first available date following the expiry of the public comment period on November 26, 2011 so that we might have the licence ready for signature by the Minister in December. We understand that the Board is assembling in Kugluktuk on Nov. 30 and Dec 1. Would it be possible for the Board to consider this application while they are all assembled?

Many thanks for your consideration.

Chris Hanks

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