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Nunavut Impact Review Board
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Attention: Stephanie Autut

Nunavut Water Board
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Gjoa Haven, NU X0B 1J0

Attention: Dionne Filatrault

Dear Ms Autut and Filatrault:

Project Certificate No. 003 and Type A Water Licence No. 2AM-DOH0713 – Notice of Planned Camp Expansion at Doris North

As part of our on-going commitment to keep each of the Nunavut Impact Review Board and the Nunavut Water Board apprised of the status of the Doris North Project, we are writing to advise you of our plans to increase the current capacity of the Doris North camp by 50 persons (from the current capacity of 118 up to an expanded capacity of 168). This new camp will be placed on the existing Doris pad in proximity to the present 118 person camp. The current Sewage Treatment Plant has a capacity of 180 persons.

This expansion is within the capacity identified in the Project Description assessed by NIRB, which described a 175 person capacity camp at Doris North (for reference, see the Doris North Project Technical Report (October 2005) at section 4.11.5) and is within the terms of the Project Certificate as well as the Type A Water Licence. The increase is in support of the ongoing exploration effort in the belt.

Our plan is to bring in the expanded facilities from Inuvik to the Project site by sealift in September 2009 and for the facility to be commissioned by mid to late October 2009.

We are also considering options for future use of the Doris North camp, and will provide you further information with respect to these plans once they have been developed.

Please contact me directly if you have questions or comments regarding this notice at <chris.hanks@newmont.com>.

Sincerely yours,

Chris Hanks
Director, Environmental and Social Responsibility
Hope Bay Mining Ltd.