

NIRB File No. 05MN047

December 18, 2013

Léa-Marie Bowes-Lyon Tenure and Permitting Manager TMAC Resources Inc. P.O. Box 1054 Cambridge Bay, NU X0B 0C0

Sent via email: lea-marie.bowes-lyon@tmacresources.com

Re: Request Clarification Regarding Doris North Winter Operations

Dear Léa-Marie Bowes-Lyon:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) is in receipt of your letter dated December 3, 2013 which advised of TMAC Resources Inc.'s (TMAC or the Proponent) intention to maintain staff at the Hope Bay site throughout the winter season 2013/2014.

As previously communicated by the Proponent in October 2012, the Doris North Project (NIRB File No. 05MN047) was to remain closed throughout the winter season. Further, the 2012 Air Quality Report¹ and Monitoring and Follow Up Plan² as submitted by then-project owners Hope Bay Mining Ltd. had requested and/or advised of changes to various monitoring plans and procedures which would be implemented as a result of the seasonally limited operations.

Given the changes that have been previously communicated and agreed to with the prior understanding that the site would remain in closure over the winter months, the NIRB respectfully requests that TMAC provide our office with clarification regarding its planned resumption of and/or any changes now required to monitoring and site management activities throughout the winter period and, as may also be applicable, over the entire year.

This information may be submitted via email to <u>info@nirb.ca</u> or by fax to (867) 983-2594, and is requested prior to **January 3, 2014**.

Phone: (867) 983-4600 Fax: (867) 983-2594

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¹ Received October 23, 2012. Report stated: "As Doris Camp will now be closed on a seasonal basis, HBML has requested that the air quality reporting requirement be annual rather than every six months." Available from: http://ftp.nirb.ca/03-MONITORING/05MN047-DORIS%20NORTH%20GOLD%20MINE/02-MONITORING%20AND%20MANAGEMENT%20PLANS/AIR%20QUALITY%20PLAN/02-SEMI%20ANNUAL%20AIR%20QUALITY%20REPORT/2012/.

² Received February 5, 2013. Available from: http://ftp.nirb.ca/03-MONITORING/05MN047-DORIS%20NORTH%20GOLD%20MINE/02-

Should you have any questions or require clarification regarding the request outlined above please contact Kelli Gillard, the NIRB's Monitoring Officer for the Doris North Project, at kgillard@nirb.ca or (867) 983-4619.

Sincerely,

Amanda Hanson

Director, Technical Services Nunavut Impact Review Board

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cc: Doris North Distribution List