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Sent via email: cmallory1@gov.nu.ca

Re: <u>The Nunavut Impact Review Board's 2013-2014 Annual Monitoring Report for the</u>

Doris North Gold Mine Project and Board's Recommendations

Dear Conor Mallory:

The Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) issued its 2013-2014 Annual Monitoring Report for the Doris North Gold Mine Project (Monitoring Report) to TMAC Resources Inc.'s (TMAC or the Proponent) under separate cover earlier today¹. The enclosed Monitoring Report is based on the NIRB's monitoring activities pursuant to the Doris North Gold Mine Project Certificate [003] and Sections 12.7.1 and 12.7.2 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement. This report provides findings that resulted from monitoring of this Project that took place from October 2013 to October 2014.

Please note that the Monitoring Report, Project Certificate and other materials pertaining to the NIRB's ongoing Monitoring program for the Doris North Gold Mine Project are also available from the NIRB's online public registry at: http://ftp.nirb.ca/03-MONITORING/05MN047-DORIS%20NORTH%20GOLD%20MINE/.

Based upon the Board's review of the monitoring report and other materials related to the Doris North Gold Mine Project, the Board has issued the following recommendation in order to assist TMAC in achieving compliance with the Doris North Gold Mine Project Certificate and to ensure the NIRB has all information necessary to adequately discharge its mandate with respect to provisions within section 12.7 of the NLCA as such pertain to the Doris North Gold Mine Project.

¹ NIRB, "The Nunavut Impact Review Board's 2013 – 2014 Annual Monitoring Report for the Doris North Gold Mine Project and Board Recommendations", letter, November 13, 2014.

Caribou Management MOU - Project Certificate Condition 27

Condition 27 of the Doris North Gold Mine Project recommends that the Proponent update and revise its Wildlife Mitigation and Monitoring Plan to include caribou mitigation and monitoring. The NIRB recognizes the update provided by TMAC regarding this matter within its 2013 Annual Report, however also notes that the Memorandum of Understanding is still not in place.

Recommendation 1: The NIRB requests that TMAC and the Government of Nunavut provide an update on activities and an anticipated timeline for the implementation of caribou management initiatives, including details of any memorandum of understanding, collaring program or other steps they have taken to address caribou management. An update on activities and an anticipated timeline should be provided by TMAC and the Government of Nunavut, either separately or in a combined submission, within 60 days' receipt of the Board's recommendations.

As carried by way of a motion at its recent October 2014 meeting, the Board respectfully requests that the GN provide an update as to the status of the caribou collaring program and/or a memorandum of understanding regarding the management of caribou as pertaining to the Doris North Project. This update has been requested within 60 days' receipt of this correspondence, and should be provided to the NIRB via email at info@nirb.ca.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification regarding this request or related to the NIRB's monitoring program for the Doris North Gold Mine Project, please contact me directly at (867) 983-4619 or kgillard@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Impact Review Board

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Doris North Distribution List

Enclosure (1): The Nunavut Impact Review Board's 2013-2014 Annual Monitoring Report for the Doris North

Gold Project