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June 5, 2017

To: Doris North Distribution List

Sent via email

Re: <u>Comment Request for TMAC's 2016 Annual Report for Doris North Gold Mine</u> Project Certificate NIRB No. 003 and Associated Management Plans

Dear Parties:

In accordance with Appendix D of the Doris North Gold Mine Project Certificate [No. 003] issued by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) in November 2007, TMAC Resources Inc. (TMAC) is required to report annually to the NIRB on activities undertaken with respect to the Doris North Gold Mine Project. As such, on May 5, 2017 the NIRB received TMAC's "2016 Annual Report for Doris North Gold Mine Project Certificate NIRB No. 003" (2016 Annual Report).

The 2016 Annual Report along with the associated appendices are available for review from the NIRB's online public registry at www.nirb.ca by using any of the following search criteria:

Project Name: Doris North Mine

NIRB File No.: 05MN047Application No.: 123632

Within the *Documents Tab* of the Project Dashboard, the target documents can be accessed from the 'Annual Reports' document category.

As per Section 12.7 of the Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement) and provisions set out in the Doris North Project Certificate [No. 003], the NIRB's monitoring program focuses on compliance and effects monitoring. The NIRB is therefore requesting that interested parties review the 2016 Annual Report and provide comments with respect to their jurisdiction and/or area of expertise by **July 5, 2017** on the following:

1. Compliance Monitoring (regulatory authority and government departments)

- a. Provide any compliance monitoring and/or site inspection reports to the NIRB including the following information:
 - i. How the regulatory authority has incorporated the terms and conditions from the Project Certificate into their permits, certificates, licences or other government approvals, where applicable;
 - ii. A summary of any inspections conducted during the 2016 reporting period, and the results of these inspections; and
 - iii. A summary of TMAC's compliance status with regard to authorizations that have been issued for the Project, where applicable.

2. Effects monitoring (all agencies)

- a. Whether the conclusions reached by TMAC in the 2016 Annual Report are valid;
- b. Any areas of significance requiring further studies; and
- c. Changes to the monitoring program included changes that may be required as the project moves out of care and maintenance.

In addition to the review of the aforementioned report, the NIRB is requesting parties review and comment on the following operational plans submitted by TMAC to the NIRB related to the operations of the Doris North Gold Mine Project.

List of operational plans submitted on February 1, 2017:

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Hope Bay Project Doris Aquatic Effects	Water Management Plan, August 2016 and
Monitoring Plan, September 2016.	Addendum, September 2016.
Doris North Interim Closure and Reclamation	Hope Bay Project Hazardous Waste
Plan, June 2015 and Addendum September	Management Plan, September 2016.
2016.	
Waste Rock and Ore Management Plan, Hope	Incinerator Management Plan, Hope Bay,
Bay Project, Nunavut, August 2016 and	Nunavut, April 2016.
Addendum, September 2016.	

List of Revised Operational Plans submitted on February 17, 2017:

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Hope Bay Project Domestic Waste Water	Hope Bay Project Quality Assurance Quality
Treatment Plan Doris Project. February 2017	Control Plan, January 2017
Hope Bay Project Spill Contingency Plan,	Hope Bay Project Water management Plan,
January 2017	February 2017
Hope Bay Project Quarry Management and	Emergency Response Plan, February 2017
Monitoring Plan, February 2017	
Hope Bay Landfarm Management and	
Monitoring Plan, January 2017	

The operational Management plans can be located as noted above within the *Documents Tab* of the Project Dashboard and the target documents can be accessed from the 'Management Plan' document category.

The NIRB requests that parties forward all submissions to the NIRB via email at <u>info@nirb.ca</u> or via fax to (867) 983-2594 by **July 5, 2017**.

If you have any questions or require additional information on the NIRB's monitoring program for the Doris North Project, please contact the undersigned at (867) 983-4619 or kgillard@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

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Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: John Roberts, TMAC Resources Inc.

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