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Attention: Ms. Beaulieu

RE: 121010 2AM-DOH0713 Application for Amendment/Renewal of Type A Water Licence

Environment Canada (EC) has received the information submitted with the above-mentioned amendment and renewal application submitted to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB). Hope Bay Mining Ltd. is applying to the NWB for the renewal of the current Type A water license 2AM-DOH0713 for a ten year period commencing in September 2013. The license would also be amended to reflect the current care and maintenance status of the project as well as the current state of construction on site, and would consolidate all previous approved amendments.

The NWB has requested that interested parties review the scope of the water license renewal and amendment application information provided and identify any deficiencies as well as indicate the type of water license hearing to be held. EC has completed an initial completeness check and does not have any comments regarding the water license application documents at this time. Regarding the format of the hearing, EC has no comments at this time.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions or comments at (867) 975-4631 or by email at <a href="mailto:Paula.C.Smith@ec.gc.ca">Paula.C.Smith@ec.gc.ca</a>.

Yours truly,

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