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Via e-mail: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

Attention: Ms. Beaulieu

RE: 2AM-DOH0713 Application for the Amendment and Renewal of a Type A Water Licence: Notice of Application

Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the documents for the Renewal and Amendment 4 Application submitted by Hope Bay Mining Ltd. (HBML) to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB). The following specialist advice is provided pursuant to the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act 1999*, the pollution prevention provisions of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act*, and the *Species at Risk Act*.

HBML submitted the Amendment 4 application to amend and renew the Type A Water Licence 2AM-DOH0713. The application requested:

- A renewal of the current Type A Water Licence for a ten-year period commencing in 2013;
- Minor amendments to the site monitoring and reporting requirements during the care and maintenance phase of the project by inserting a Part M Care and Maintenance section to the Type A Water Licence; and
- Various administrative revisions to the Type A Water Licence to consolidate all previous approved amendments and to reflect the current state of construction at Doris North.

EC has no comments at this time on the Renewal and Amendment 4 Application submitted by HBML. Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 867-669-4746 or Jane.Fitzgerald@ec.gc.ca.

Sincerely,



Jane Fitzgerald
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