



Technical Review Memorandum

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SUBJECT Water License #2AM-DOH0713, Hope Bay Mining Ltd., Doris
North Project, 2007 Annual Report Review

Description

Hope Bay Mining Ltd. has submitted a 2007 Annual Report to the Nunavut Water Board for review as required by Part B, Item 3 of the Doris North Project's Type A water license, #2AM-DOH0713. This report has been reviewed and compared with requirements specified in the water license, in addition to the Nunavut Impact Review Board's Project Certificate and Annual Report specific to this project.

Comments

- The submitted water license 2007 Annual Report is determined to be in compliance with those requirements set in Part B, Item 3 of the license, with the exception of providing a summary report on public consultation efforts as required by Item 16, of Schedule B in water license #2AM-DOH0713. This item calls for "A summary report describing public consultation and participation with local organizations and the residents of the nearby communities, including a schedule of upcoming community events/information sessions."
- No deficiencies were noted when comparing the annual reports submitted to both the Nunavut Water Board and the Nunavut Impact Review Board,
- Hope Bay Mining Ltd. is anticipated to provide more information in subsequent annual reports as it begins to develop the Doris North Project.

Recommendations

- A summary report of Hope Bay Mining Ltd.'s interaction with the public throughout 2007 with regard to the development of the Doris North Project Hope Bay Mining Ltd. should be provided to the Nunavut Water Board for review.
- Hope Bay Mining Ltd. should be reminded to provide detailed information on all annual reporting requirements to the Nunavut Water Board for review as its project develops.

Should you have any questions regarding the comments provided please feel free to contact me at (867) 975-4555 or by email at AbernethyD@inac-ainc.gc.ca.

Regards,
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