File No.: 2AM-DOH1323

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RE: Technical Review of the 2017 Annual Report for the Hope Bay Belt Project, Water Licence No. 2AM-DOH1323.

Dear Mr. Curran:

On March 29, 2018, the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) received from TMAC Resources Inc. (TMAC or Licensee) the 2017 Annual Report as a requirement under Part B, Item 3, of the Water Licences 2AM-DOH1323 (Licence) issued for the operation of the Doris North Mine, as part of the Hope Bay Belt Project. As a requirement of Part B, Item 3, Schedule B, of the Licence 2AM-DOH1323, the annual report submission included the following documents:

- Hope Bay Belt Project 2017 Nunavut Water Board Annual Report, March 2018;
- Doris Project 2017 Construction Monitoring Report;
- 2017 Annual Geotechnical Inspection Tailings Impoundment Area, Doris Project, Hope Bay, Nunavut, March 2018;
- Doris Project 2017 Annual Geotechnical Inspection; and
- Doris Project 2017 Aquatic Effects Monitoring Program Report, March 2018.

On April 16, 2018, the NWB gave interested parties an opportunity to review the submissions and provide comments to the Board by June 24, 2018, extended to September 14, 2018, as requested by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC). On September 13-14, 2018, the NWB received comments from CIRNAC and Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC). These comments focused on the following topics:

- Aquatic Effects Monitoring Program;
- Geochemical monitoring of waste rock and the Tailings Impoundment Area;
- Spill Contingency Plan;
- Water quality monitoring and predictions/modeling;
- Air-craft de-icing; and
- Incinerator stack testing results.

These comments are available on the NWB's ftp site at the following link:

ftp://ftp.nwb-oen.ca/registry/2%20MINING%20MILLING/2A/2AM%20-%20Mining/2AM-DOH1323%20TMAC/3%20TECH/1%20GENERAL%20(B)/3%20ANNUAL%20RPT/2017/

The NWB requests that the Licensee provide a response to comments¹ within 2 weeks, by October 5, 2018. While the NWB acknowledges that some of clarification / additional information will be provided within the next 2AM-DOH1323 annual report, the NWB advises TMAC to include if necessary a timeline for the additional information/clarification to address parties' comments.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338, ext. 32, or by email at <u>derek.donald@nwb-oen.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

Derek Donald Nunavut Water Board, Technical Advisor

Cc: Distribution List – Doris North

¹ CIRNAC comments received September 13, 2018; ECCC comments received September 14, 2018.