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VIA EMAIL

Dear Mr. Rumbolt,

Re: 2AM-DOH0713 Use of EK-35 Dust Suppressant for Doris North Project

In 2010, HBML used EK-35 as a dust suppressant on the airstrip and high traffic areas of the Doris North Project. Please be advised that HBML plans to use EK-35 again in 2011. Included with this letter is the previous correspondence submitted to Melissa Joy, including results from last year's trial period, approval for use by the Government of Nunavut Department of Environment, and information relating to EK-35 such as:

- MSDS
- Environmental Data Report
- Boeing Approval for Use
- SOP for use on site
- Midwest Industrial Supply Inc. Information Material

Currently, HBML is applying water to control dust at Doris North. Due to the high level of activity at the project, and the large amount of dust being generated that affects the surrounding environment and the health of employees, water has a short period of effectiveness, requiring a large amount of water to be used for dust suppression. Licence 2AM-DOH0713 does not directly address the use of dust suppressants at Doris except as a monitoring condition for a Construction Monitoring Report. HBML is required to report on the "Monitoring of dust generation and use of water by the contractor to manage dust emissions from crushing and construction activity," as per Schedule D Item i. Under the NIRB Project Certificate Appendix A, HBML commitments with regards to dust include that dust suppression methods will be used on the airstrip and roads during the snow-ice free period. In light of the amount of dust that is currently being managed on site, and the fact that water is not very effective, HBML is planning to use EK-35 to control dust.

EK-35 will be applied on the airstrip and areas of high vehicle traffic. It has been used in other areas of the North, including Ekati (where it has been approved for use by INAC) and airports in the NWT and Nunavut.

Considering the wide use of EK-35 over an extended period of time in the North, HBML feels that it is an appropriate product for use at Doris North.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this notification and direct any questions to the undersigned. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at angela.holzapfel@newmont.com.

Sincerely,

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