

Your file - Votre référence 2AM-DOH1323

July 27, 2015

Our file - Notre référence IQALUIT-#930575

Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing Nunavut Water Board GJOA HAVEN, NU X0E 1J0

Re: Part G, Item 19 of Water Licence No. 2AM-DOH1323, Request for Approval of Revised Waste Rock and Ore Management Plan – TMAC Resource Inc Response to Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada Additional Review Comments

Sent via email: <u>licensing@nwb-oen.ca</u>

Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

With respect to TMAC Resource Inc's (TMAC) May 1, 2015 request for Nunavut Water Board (NWB) approval of the revised Doris North Waste Rock and Ore Management Plan and in response to TMAC's July 24, 2015 reply to additional comments submitted by Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (the department) on July 23, 2015, the department provides the following feedback.

TMAC Resource Inc have provided adequate rationale for designing a one metre minimum fill thickness for waste rock storage Pad T. Constructing the pad with competent quarry rock should protect the underlying frozen tundra from traffic loads and facilitate any hydrocarbon spill remediation measures.

The waste rock storage pad should be constructed on frozen ground (i.e., no thawed active layer) to protect the underlying permafrost soils and to promote freeze-back conditions within the pad itself.

Please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 867-975-4555 or email at David.Abernethy@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca for further information.

Sincerely,

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