

## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

RFI NUMBER	<b>JDS-RFI-003</b>
ISSUE DATE (YY/MM/DD)	February 19, 2011
PRIORITY	H <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> L <input type="checkbox"/>
REQ'D RESPONSE DATE	February 23, 2011

### Hope Bay Mining Project

Subject:	Additional Excavation of Surface Ice	Project Zone/Area:	Doris North
Company:	SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc.	Station/Location:	North Dam
Attention:	John Kurylo / Maritz Rykaart	Discipline:	Civil

AFE:		Specification Number:	Technical Specifications Rev. "E"
Related Drawings:	SRK North Dam IFC Drawing Package	Related Documents:	SRK Memo Dated Feb. 18, 2011
			North Dam Additional Excavation
			Of Massive Surface Ice

Related WBS Code		WBS Code Description:	

### Information Request/Description of Issue/Approval Required:

The SRK memo dated February 18, 2011 (copy attached) regarding the removal of surface ice and subsequent backfill notes that "core material or out of spec core material (i.e. core reject) is a suitable fill material".

Technical Specifications Revision "E" Section 2 Clearing and Stripping outlines the requirements related to the removal of snow and ice on natural ground surface. The memo does acknowledge that the surface ice is directly related to the natural outflow from Tails Lake. Nowhere in the specifications is there any reference to material requirements to backfill where snow or ice is removed. Once the ice is removed the surface conditions are no different had the ice not formed at this location, or the adjacent area. The material placed once the ice is removed should be that required as a function of the zone that it falls within.

### Proposed Corrective Action:

Use transition material to fill the area where the ice is removed.

Originator: Mark Valeriote (JDS Energy & Mining Inc.)

February 19, 2011

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Cost Impact	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
Detailed Estimate attached	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Schedule Impact	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
Source for Communication	<input type="checkbox"/> Owner Change	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clarification/Info
	<input type="checkbox"/> Vendor Change	<input type="checkbox"/> Designer Change
		<input type="checkbox"/> Constructor Change
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other

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☐ Corrective Action Approved

☐ Correct as Follows:

### Response:

The surface ice observed upstream and downstream of the key trench, in proximity of the peat zone, is the result of the natural outflow from Tails Lake to Doris Lake. Based on site observations, this surface ice is situated on top of the original ground. Using transition material to fill in the area with the surface ice has been removed is acceptable.

Responsible Newmont Representative:

Lowell Wade

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February 23, 2011

Date: