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**Re: 2AM-DOH0713 Notification of Water Transfer into the Tailings Impoundment Area**

Dear Ms. Paul and Mr. Hohnstein,

In accordance with 2AM-DOH0713 Part G Item 1, Hope Bay Mining Ltd (HBML) is providing notification that water will be transferred from the pollution control pond, sumps, and sedimentation pond to the Tailings Impoundment Area (TIA) as soon as it begins to accumulate. The temporary pollution control pond that was constructed in 2011 will also be pumped to the TIA during spring freshet. Water movements will be managed as described in the approved 2012 Doris North Project Interim Water Management Plan.

HBML will monitor the water quality of all water being transferred into the TIA as per the water licence requirements, and this data will be included in the monthly and annual SNP reports.

Prior to any discharge from the TIA, or any other water management facility to the receiving environment, HBML will provide a discharge notification and the compliant water sample results.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 604-345-3122 or [Angela.Holzapfel@Newmont.com](mailto:Angela.Holzapfel@Newmont.com) if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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cc. Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board