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Dear Eva and David,

## Re: 2AM-DOH0713 Notification of Discharge from Doris Camp Fire Water Tank

Please be advised that HBML, under Part G: Item 1 of the Hope Bay Type A Water Licence, is providing written notice to the Inspector prior to a planned discharge of water from the fire water tank at the Doris North Project site. The fire water tank contains 500 m<sup>3</sup> of fresh water taken from Doris Lake. HBML does not believe there is cause for this water to be contaminated, but samples have been collected to ensure this is the case.

In the absence of discharge criteria for this water, HBML will compare the water quality results to that of all the individual parameters listed for the various containment berms and ponds in the 2AM-DOH0713 licence. Water will only be discharged to the tundra only after receipt of compliant water quality results. If the results are non-compliant with any of the parameters, HBML will transport the water to the TIA. The water quality results and actual volume of water removed will be included in the monthly SNP regulatory report.

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 <a href="mailto:angela.holzapfel@newmont.com">angela.holzapfel@newmont.com</a>.

Sincerely,

Angela Holzapfel Manager of Environmental Compliance Hope Bay Mining Ltd.

cc. Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board