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Dear Eva,

Re: 2AM-DOH0713 Alternate Sewage Outfall Discharge Location

As described in the letters dated 21 June 2011, and the Hope Bay Waste Water Treatment Plant Management Plan, HBML has relocated the Doris Camp sewage outfall onto a rock outcrop using a diffuser system. As explained during the site inspections with both you and the previous project inspector, HBML retained the old discharge point as a back-up to the diffuser system on the rock outcrop.

HBML will be required to use the old diffuser point during camp closing and opening procedures while the project is in care and maintenance. The old discharge point requires less power and maintenance (i.e., does not have diffusers to thaw out), which will be important when crews are opening and closing the camp. HBML has placed gravel under the old discharge point to mitigate any immediate potential erosion issues at this location.

Although the TIA construction is complete, there isn't a piping system that can transfer the sewage effluent to the TIA as per Part G, Item 3(c) of the Type A Water Licence. The discharge to tundra will continue in compliance with all provisions of the Type A Water License, including in particular Part G, Item 2 "The Licensee shall ensure that all land applied discharges are performed in a manner that prevents erosion at the point of discharge and downstream."

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,

Angela Holzapfel
Manager of Environmental Compliance
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cc. Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board