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Dear Phyllis,

Re: Request for Clarification under Part G Item 19 of 2AM-DOH1323

Further to our meeting with you on December 3, 2014, TMAC Resources Inc. (TMAC) is requesting clarification from the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) regarding approval for use of Pad T; please advise whether TMAC can construct Pad T or whether a request for Board approval under Part G Item 19 of 2AM-DOH1323 for an amended Waste Rock and Ore Management Plan is required.

TMAC is planning to construct and operate a waste rock storage pad in the area identified as Pad T to stock pile waste rock associated with underground development of the Doris North project. Based on re-examination of the current mine plan, and in consideration of planned near-term commencement of development, TMAC views Pad T as the optimal location for waste rock storage.

Based on TMAC's interpretation of procedural history (summarized below) associated with water licence 2AM-DOH1323 and Project Certificate 003, the area of Pad T lies outside of an existing land use planning area, has been previously reviewed by both the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) and the NWB, and waste rock storage practices at the Doris North Mine have similarly been reviewed and approved by the NWB. Also, approved water management practices will remain applicable and unchanged for construction and operation of Pad T. Further, the area of Pad T is within the boundaries of the commercial lease (KTCL 308D003) held with the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA).

Key references pertaining to previous reviews of Pad T include the following:

• Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) supporting document A7 Surface Infrastructure Preliminary Design (SRK 2005) describes and illustrates a temporary

- waste rock pile generally consistent with the proposed footprint of Pad T (see Figure 5.6 of SRK 2005).
- Approved Interim Water Management Plan (SRK 2012) illustrates Pad T, and
 describes it as located within the contact area, wherein runoff originating at Pad
 T would report to existing water management infrastructure including the
 pollution control pond.
- Approved Waste Rock and Ore Management Plan (SRK 2010) describes current waste rock management practices on site.

Should require further information to support this decision, feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

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