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Executive Director

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Re:

Bay Chimo Umingmaktok Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing Nunavut Water Board P.O. Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NU X0B 1J0

Via Email: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org and dionne@nunavutwaterboard.org

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2AM-DOH0713 Roberts Bay Berm Expansion

Dear Ms. Filiatrault and Ms. Beaulieu,

Gjoa Haven Okhoktok On Monday October 3, 2011, I sent an email communication to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) on behalf of the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA). I would like to address two points regarding this letter. Firstly, the specific request KIA made to NWB was:

Taloyoak

"... I understand HBML (Newmont Mining Corp.) is awaiting confirmation from NWB to begin the work on the rising of the berm? Please confirm, ..."

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The confirmation request arose as a result of the content of a correspondence KIA received from Hope Bay Mining Ltd (HBML) on September 29, 2011 (dated Sept. 28, 2011). The HBML letter was attached to the Oct 3 KIA email to NWB. KIA has not yet received a written response from NWB, but it is our understanding that NWB will likely request an amendment to the HBML license. Is this correct, and/or when can KIA expect a response from NWB?

Secondly, subsequent to my Oct 3 correspondence, I received two requests from NWB for clarifications and information regarding other topics discussed in the HBML letter (Oct. 7 2011 from Ms. Beaulieu, and Oct. 19 2011 from Ms. Karlette Tunaley, TLA Consultants). KIA considers those discussions as private communications between landowner and tenant and as such KIA will respect that privacy. NWB may, however, request clarifications and information from HBML, as KIA would not be opposed to HBML disclosing that information.

Lastly, I would like to address Point #2 of Ms. Tunaley's Oct 19 email. KIA's legal counsel will not be available for consultation until early next week, and therefore KIA commits to follow-up with NWB by the end of the week at the latest.

Thank you for your time and attention, and I hope this letter provides the clarifications needed by the NWB to advance the file regarding the Roberts Bay berm. Please feel free contact Luigi



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Torretti (<u>ltorretti@qiniq.com</u> or 867-982-3310) or me (<u>pemingak@qiniq.com</u> or 867-983-2458) if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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Kitikmeot Inuit Association

CC: Chris Hanks and Lea-Marie Bowes -Lyon, HBML

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