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File: 2AM-DOH0713/ Modification

October 24, 2011

Angela Holzapfel Manager of Environmental Compliance Hope Bay Mining Ltd. Suite 300, 889 Harbourside Drive North Vancouver, B.C., V7P 3S1

Email: Angela.Holzapfel@Newmont.com

Subject: Licence No. 2AM-DOH0713 – Notification of Proposed Modification - Airstrip

Expansion and Bypass Road Design

Dear Ms. Holzapfel,

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") acknowledges receipt of a submission from Hope Bay Mining Ltd. (HBML) regarding a *Notification of Proposed Modification - Doris North Water Licence 2AM-DOH0713 Part H Item 1 (Airstrip Expansion and Bypass Road Design)* received on October 5, 2011 as a requirement of Part H, Item 1 of water licence 2AM-DOH0713 (Licence). This submission has been placed on the NWB public registry and is available from the NWB ftp site using the username "public" and password "registry", without the quotes at the following link:

Please note that as required by Part H, Item 1(d) of the Licence, the NWB is hereby informing HBML that review of the proposed modification will require more than 60 days. In addition, the NWB requests confirmation in writing from the Nunavut Impact Review Board that the proposed modification is consistent with its project certificate, as well as confirmation in writing from the Designated Inuit Organization that the proposed modification will not raise any issues of compensation under Article 20 of the NLCA.

By copy of this letter to interested persons, the NWB gives parties thirty (30) days to review the submission and make representations to the NWB. All representations shall be submitted to the NWB by mail, fax or email before November 24, 2011, 5:00 pm Mountain Standard Time. Please



forward all comments to Phyllis Beaulieu, NWB Manager of Licensing at licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing PB/kt

Cc. Chris Hanks, Director Environment and Social Responsibility, HBML
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