

November 12, 2012

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Re: December 2012 – Monthly Monitoring Report for Water Licence 2AM-DOH0713

This report is comprised of monitoring requirements as set out in Schedule J of water license 2AM-DOH0713 and additional requirements from AANDC. License items include:

- Part D (Conditions Applying to Construction) Items 7 and 19;
- Part E (Conditions applying to Water Use) Item 1;
- Part G (Conditions Applying to Waste Management and Waste Management Plans) Items 3(e) and 3(b), Item 21 (a) and 22 (e);
- Part J (Conditions Applying to General and Aquatic Effects Monitoring) Items 12 and 14.

Other monitoring requirements stipulated in the license refer to facilities that have not been constructed. Doris Camp closed on October 12, 2012 and will be operated seasonally for compliance and reclamation activities under care and maintenance. The facility will be reopened in late-April/early-May 2013.

Part D: Conditions Applying to Construction

Item 7. Construction Monitoring

Construction activities did not take place in this month.

Item 19. Surface Runoff Effluent Quality Limits

There was no runoff from construction areas, therefore, turbidity and total suspended solids samples were not collected.

Part E: Conditions Applying to Water Use

Item 1: Water Usage

There was no water usage this month as the camp is closed for winter.

Part G: Conditions Applying to Waste Management and Waste Management Plans.

Item 1: Condition to Provide Notice of a Planned Discharge

Water was not discharged from any facilities this month.

Item 3(b): Conditions applying to sewage effluent quality

The sewage treatment plant is not in operation because the camp is closed for winter; therefore effluent quality could not be tested this month.

Item 3(e): Treated Sewage Effluent Release in cubic meters

The sewage treatment plant is not in operation due to the camp being closed for winter, therefore, effluent was not released this month.

Item 21 (a) and Items 22 (c), (e): Sedimentation pond, land farm, and fuel containment sumps

Water was not discharged from any containment facilities this month.

Item 26, 27, 28 and Part J Item 8: Water Discharged from Tailing Impoundment Area

Water samples were not collected from TL-1, TL-2, TL-3, TL-4, and TL-10 as there was no discharge from the TIA this month.

Item 30: Tailings Impoundment Area Discharge Volume

Dewatering of the Tailings Impoundment Area commenced on June 11, 2012 and was completed for the season on September 13, 2012. No discharge occurred this month.

Schedule J: Tailings Impoundment Area Water Quality (TL-10)

Samples were not collected at station TL-10 during this month; discharge from the TIA ceased September 13, 2012.

Part J: Conditions Applying to General and Aquatics Effects Monitoring

Item 12d Tonnages of Waste Rock Stored on the Temporary Waste Rock Pad

Underground mining is no longer occurring. Waste rock has not been removed from the pile. The total volume of rock on the temporary waste rock pad is 182 716 tonnes, as per the December 2011 survey.

Item 12g Tail Lake Ice Thickness

The camp is closed for winter, therefore, ice thickness could not be measured.

Environmental Incident Reporting

There were no environmental incidents in this reporting period.

Should there be any questions regarding this monthly report, please contact Angela Holzapfel, Manager of Environmental Compliance for Hope Bay Mining Limited at (604) 345-3122 or Angela.Holzapfel@Newmont.com.

Yours sincerely,

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