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File: 2AM-DOH0713/Amendment 2

February 15, 2011

Honorable John Duncan, M.P.
Minister of Indian Affairs & Northern Development
and Federal Interlocutor for Metis and Non-Status Indians
21st Floor, 10 Wellington
Gatineau, Quebec
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By Courier, Email and Regular Mail

Subject: Licence 2AM-DOH0713 Type A Licence, Hope Bay Mining Limited, Doris North Project; Amendment No.2, Expansion of fuel storage and containment facility, airstrip and bypass road expansion, and revised location of cyanide/reagent storage facility.

Dear Minister:

Please find enclosed, Amendment No.2 to Licence 2AM-DOH0713, duly issued by the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) on September 19, 2007 and subsequently approved by the Minister November 5, 2007. The amendment authorizes Hope Bay Mining Ltd (HBML), to carry out the following proposed undertakings:

- Expand the Roberts Bay fuel storage and containment facility;
- Expand the project's all-weather airstrip and construct a bypass road; and
- Revise the location of the cyanide and reagent storage facility.

Upon review of the application submitted by HBML and submissions provided by Environment Canada and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, the NWB determined that the amendment would not affect the use, flow or quality of waters or alter the term of the licence, and accordingly, under section 174(1) of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, the NWB determined that a public hearing was not required to amend the Type A Licence.

In accordance with section 56 of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, the proposed amendment requires your approval and as such, the NWB submits the attached Amendment for your consideration.

Should you have any questions or require clarification on the above or wish to discuss further, please contact the undersigned in writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'T. Kabloona', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Thomas Kabloona
Nunavut Water Board
Chair

c.c. Doris North Distribution List
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