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Re: Echo Bay Mines Ltd. - Lupin Mine - Amendment to Water Licence NWB1LUP0008

This is to advise that Environment Canada (EC) has no comments on the issue of financial assurance, and that we will not be participating in the proposed hearing.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 669-4735 with any questions or comments regarding the foregoing.

Yours truly,

Anne Wilson Water Pollution Specialist

cc: Paula Pacholek (Environmental Assessment Coordinator, EPB)