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NUNAVUT WATER BOARD  
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OFFICE DES EAUX DU NUNAVUT

**NWB File No.: 2AM-LUP0914**  
**Amendment-Renewal**

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**Subject: Licence 2AM-LUP0914, Type “A” Water Licence; Lupin Mines Incorporated Amendment-Renewal Application, Lupin Mine – Nunavut Water Board Written Direction Regarding Public Hearing Record Remaining Open**

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As indicated by the Board’s Legal Counsel at the adjournment on February 5, 2015 of the Public Hearing in respect of the Amendment-Renewal Application filed by Lupin Mines Incorporated (LMI) with the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board), given the Board’s suspension of the Hearing on February 4, 2015 necessitated by the blizzard warning issued by the Government of Nunavut and Hamlet of Kugluktuk and the associated delay in recommencing the Public Hearing until 6:30 p.m. on the following day, the Board was unfortunately unable to conclude the Public Hearing and close the Hearing Record on February 5, 2015 as originally planned.

Reflecting these circumstances, and as discussed with the parties at the Public Hearing, the Board Panel (P11) responsible for hearing the Amendment-Renewal Application has determined that in order to receive all of the information required to conclude the Public Hearing, the Hearing Record will remain open in order for the parties to file additional written materials specified below.

The Board's directions in this regard are as follows:

- On or before **9:00 am MST on Monday, February 23, 2015**, the interveners, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) and the Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA) are invited to file their closing statements with the Board. In addition, AANDC is requested to provide their comments regarding whether AANDC objects to the filing of the documents offered by LMI and marked as Exhibit 3 (the March 2012 Technical Report filed with SEDAR, as a 43-101 Mineable Reserves Update) and Exhibit 9 (the additional PowerPoint Presentation provided by LMI during the Community Session on February 5, 2015 and entitled "Reply Submission to the NWB"). Should AANDC object to the Board's filing of one or both of these documents, the Board also requests that AANDC's submission outline the basis for AANDC's objections to this material being filed as an exhibit during the Public Hearing.
- On or before **4:00 pm MST on Monday, February 23, 2015**, the Applicant, Lupin Mines Incorporated is invited to file their closing statements with the Board. The Applicant is also invited to provide their comments regarding whether LMI objects to the filing of the document offered by AANDC and marked as Exhibit 7 (AANDC's Lupin Gold Mine Type "A" Water Licence Renewal Hearing Updated Compliance and Commitments Table). If LMI objects to the Board filing this document, the Board also requests that LMI's submission outline the basis for LMI's objections to the document being filed as an exhibit during the Public Hearing.

Please note that other than the written submissions specified above, the Board will not be accepting any further written materials from the parties during this adjournment of the Public Hearing. Once the Board has received and has had an opportunity to review the additional materials set out above, the Board will provide further written direction to the parties regarding whether the Public Hearing Record is closed and the Application could then be remitted to the Panel for decision-making, or whether additional submissions (oral and/or written) are warranted in the circumstances, prior to the close of the Public Hearing Record.

In closing, the Board appreciates the parties' flexibility and commitment to ensuring that the time spent at the Public Hearing in the Community of Kugluktuk afforded community members the best opportunity to participate in the Community Session. The Board is grateful for the co-operation and support of all participants at the Public Hearing in completing this phase of the Board's consideration of the Amendment-Renewal Application given the circumstances. The Board looks forward to your continued support in bringing to a successful close the remaining steps of this aspect of the licensing process.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact David Hohnstein, the Board's Acting Executive Director and Director of Technical Services. David can be reached at his direct line: (780) 443-4406 or via e-mail [david.hohnstein@nwb-oen.ca](mailto:david.hohnstein@nwb-oen.ca). For administrative questions, please contact Phyllis Beaulieu, Manager of Licensing, at [Licensing@nwb-oen.ca](mailto:Licensing@nwb-oen.ca) or by phone at (867) 360-6338.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'T. Kabloona', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Thomas Kabloona

Chairperson

Nunavut Water Board and Lupin Panel (P11)

cc:     Eva Paul, AANDC  
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