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[Licensing] RE: Lupin - Sewage Lagoon Sample Results

1 message

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Fri, Jul 24, 2015 at 9:48 AM

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Hi Eva,

Thanks for confirming that the discharge is authorized. As we observed during our joint inspection, the lower sewage dam is not overtopping and there is no failure of a work so we were very surprised that you should include that statement in your correspondence.

As we discussed during the inspection, we have been waiting for the lab work to confirm that discharge was allowed and to organize a crew. We delivered the samples to the lab on July 10th, and received the results on July 21st, and then had the results reviewed by our consultants by July 22nd. We forwarded those results to you within a day of receiving them ourselves. We weren't able to keep a crew on standby, so we are working to get a competent crew out as soon as possible. We are taking all reasonable measures to comply with the various regulatory requirements, including the Direction dated July 22, 2015

As for oil & grease, there are no lab results. The samples weren't tested for oil & grease because we are not required to test for that, so the reference on the summary table was to the visual observation that no sheen was observed.

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From: Eva Paul [mailto:Eva.Paul@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca]**Sent:** July-23-15 1:55 PM**To:** Karyn Lewis**Cc:** Erik Allain; Patrick Downey; licensing@nwb-oen.ca**Subject:** Re: Lupin - Sewage Lagoon Sample Results

Hi Karyn,

Sorry it's taken me a day to get the attachments you sent downloaded and read; the hazards of being on a mobile device. Although it's a step up from not having wireless at all, as I was without for the last couple of days. Thank you for the results, and the summary table that you attached. I don't see the lab result for Oil and Grease, although you've included it in the summary. Can you please send the report?

As you saw while we were at site on the 15th, the lower sewage dam was overtopping. I'm surprised you don't have arrangements made yet; it is still just as big a deal as it was last year when the emergency amendment was sought. Bigger, in fact, as this constitutes failure of a work. LMI needs to address this immediately. Discharge is authorized as soon as you can get there.

Eva

From: Karyn Lewis

Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2015 10:57 PM

To: Eva Paul

Cc: Patrick Downey; Licensing Department

Subject: Lupin - Sewage Lagoon Sample Results

Eva,

Please find attached a copy of the lab results for samples from LMI's Sewage Lakes Disposal Facilities at the Lupin Mine. As the samples meet the limits for discharge as set out in paragraph 8 of Part E of our Type A Water Licence, and in accordance with your Direction, we are planning on discharging from the Sewage Lakes either later this week or early next week (as soon as we have confirmed a flight and crew). Once the date is confirmed, we will advise you.

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