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By Email and Regular Mail

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Subject: Lupin Operations Spill Contingency Plan (SCP)

Dear Mr. Tansey:

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") would like to acknowledge your submission of the 2004, Lupin Operations Spill Contingency Plan submitted to the NWB on March 2, 2004. The Plan was submitted with revisions to reflect the mine resuming operations after a period of Care and maintenance from August 2003 through to March 1, 2004.

On December 9, 2004, prior to the NWB finalizing the review of the Plan, Kinross Gold Corporation (KGC) submitted a notice regarding the suspension of mining at Lupin. The current suspension notice and the subsequent ongoing discussions relating to the submission of an Abandonment and Reclamation Plan would indicate that the possibility of mining operations resuming at Lupin is unlikely.

With the above in mind, the NWB is requesting that within sixty (60) days of this letter, KGC revise the Spill Contingency Plan, to reflect the change in status of the mine, operations and personnel as is required under Part H, Item 3. The Annual Report received on March 31, 2005 did not include revisions to the SCP.

The NWB anticipates receipt of the revised Plan within the timeframe noted above. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (780) 443-4406, at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

Original signed by:

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