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Our File: NWB1LUP0008-Monthly03
Your File: Water Register
NWB1LUP0008

Executive Director
Nunavut Water Board
P.O. Box 119
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Dear Sir:

RE: Echo Bay Mines Ltd., Lupin Gold Mine, Contwoyto Lake, NU.; Water License NWB1LUP0008; Surveillance Network Program Monthly Report

As required by Part A, Item 6 of the Surveillance Network Program (Schedule 1) of Water License NWB1LUP0008, attached are three copies of our monthly report for **August 2003**.

Sewage lakes discharge at Station 925-14 was concluded on August 11 at 10:15 totaling 33,907 m3 of discharge for the month. On the final morning of siphon discharge, the pH was recorded at 5.95, down from 6.1 the day before. Sample collection scheduled for the 19th was not taken.

The discharge pH was recorded in the mid 7 ranges through the first week of the month, but 27.2 mm of precipitation during the first ten days of the month contributed to the declining alkalinity at the conclusion of siphoning.

Please accept notice, that on August 13, 2003 the Lupin Mine suspended mining activities and began preparation to begin a care and maintenance phase effective September 2nd 2003. At this time, the mill has been cleaned and shut down. Reclamation activities to cap specific tailings areas will continue late into September.

In addition, on August 27th, two Enforcement Officers of Environment Canada, (Mr. C. Broome and Mr. K. Russell), conducted a mill and tailing containment area inspection as a direct result of the announced mine closure. The site was found in order.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this report, please direct future correspondence until further notice to Mr. Wayne Grudzinski at (780) 890-8779, Lupin.

Sincerely,



Wayne Grudzinski
Superintendent Loss Control / Acting Manager
Lupin Operations

Attachment.

cc B. Burton R. O'Neill