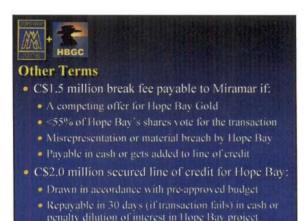


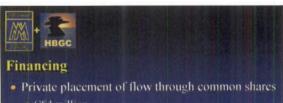


- Hope Bay shareholders meeting by April 28
- Completion shortly after shareholders meeting
- Conditions:
 - Completion of satisfactory mutual due diligence

 - · Approval by shareholders of Hope Bay Gold

 - No material adverse change in financial condition





- CS4 million
- 2,666,667 shares
- Priced at C\$1.50/share, premium to market price
- Covers additional obligations related to Hope Bay's funding requirements up to closing
- Allows continued focus on exploration upside at Hope Bay project

