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Re: Water Licenses 2BE-HOP0712, 2BB-BOS0712, and 2AM-DOH0713 Inuktitut Summaries – Supplement to 2008 Annual Reports

Dear Ms. Beaulieu,

Please find attached Inuktitut translations of the executive summaries for the 2008 Annual Reports for licenses 2BE-HOP0712, 2BB-BOS0712, and 2AM-DOH0713. As stated in the INAC technical memorandums of July 13, 2008 (for 2AM-DOH0713) and July 16, 2008 (for 2BB-BOS0712), Inuktitut translations of the annual report executive summaries were not included with the original submission. Inuinnaqtun translations, however, were provided.

According to licenses 2BE-HOP0712 and 2BB-BOS0712, the translation requirements state that the executive summaries should be translated into Inuktitut. It is HBML's understanding that the *Nunavut Waters and Surface Rights Tribunal Act* defines Inuinnaqtun as Inuktitut. Considering that the Hope Bay Project is located in the Kitikmeot, translations of executive summaries into Inuinnaqtun should satisfy the translation requirement for both licenses. Clarification of this issue for 2BE-HOP0712 and 2BB-BOS0712 would be appreciated. It is HBML's understanding, however, that for license 2AM-DOH0713, both Inuinnaqtun and Inuktitut translations are required as per the license. HBML will provide translations of executive summaries in both Inuinnaqtun and Inuktitut in the future.

Please contact me at Chris.Hanks@newmont.com if you have additional questions or require any further information relating to the contents of this letter.

Sincerely,

Chris Hanks
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