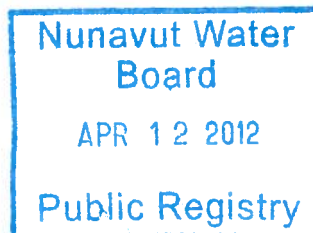


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Re: Annual Reports for 2BB-BOS0712, 2BE-HOP0712, and 2AM-DOH0713, and Various Reports and Management Plans

Dear Ms. Beaulieu,

Please find enclosed with this letter hard copies of the Annual Reports for the water licenses 2BE-HOP0712, 2BB-BOS0712, and 2AM-DOH0713.

An electronic submission of these reports was made to the Nunavut Water Board on March 30, 2012.

Also included with this submission are the following reports and management plans, in hard copy and electronic format:

- 2BB-BOS0712 2011 Annual Geotechnical Inspection Report
- 2BB-BOS0712 Land Treatment Area Management and Monitoring Plan
- 2AM-DOH0713 2011 Annual Geotechnical Inspection Report
- 2AM-DOH0713 Waste Water Treatment Management Plan
- 2AM-DOH0713 2011 Construction Summary Report
- 2AM-DOH0713 2011 Waste Rock and Quarry Monitoring Report
- Hope Bay Spill Contingency Plan (applicable to all three licences)
- Hope Bay Emergency Response Plan (applicable to all three licences)
- Hope Bay Hazardous Waste Management Plan (applicable to all three licences)
- Hope Bay Incinerator Management Plan (applicable to all three licences)
- Hope Bay Non-Hazardous Waste Management Plan (applicable to all three licences)

The majority of these reports and plans are referenced in the attached annual reports and provide additional information regarding the on-site monitoring and activities management. Of the included reports, only the Waste Water Management Plan is not described. This revised version captures the changes to the system at Doris, including the removal of Matrix camp, and updates the sewage sludge management plan and the effluent discharge location. The Interim Non-Hazardous Waste Management Plan was developed to fill the gap for not having a landfill at site.

Should you have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number above or at lea-marie.bowes-lyon@newmont.com.

Sincerely,

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