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**Re: 2BB-BOS0712 Discharge from Mine Portal at Boston Camp**

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Dear Melissa and David,

Please be advised that Hope Bay Mining Ltd., under Part D Item 23 of the Boston Advanced Exploration Project 2BB-BOS0712, is providing written notice to an Inspector prior to a planned discharge from the mine portal located at Boston Camp.

Sampling undertaken from accumulated surface run-off water at the mine portal at Boston Camp on September 24, 2009 indicates that the water meets the effluent quality standards for discharge as specified in the licence.

Parameter/SNP Sites	BOS Portal	Boston: 2BB-BOS0712	
ALS Lab Reference #	L823628-1	Maximum Average Concentration (mg/L)	Maximum Concentration of any Grab Sample (mg/L)
Field Sample Details	BOS Portal	Part D: Item 7	Part D: Item 7
Sample Date/Time	Sept 24/09 @ 1630 hrs	Part D: Item 8	Part D: Item 8
Total Arsenic	0.162	0.5	1.00
Total Copper	0.0074	0.3	0.60
Total Lead	0.00044	0.2	0.4
Total Nickel	0.170	0.5	1.00
Total Zinc	0.0303	0.5	1.00
Total Suspended Solids	7	25	50.0
Oil and Grease	<1.0	-	No visible sheen
pH	7.75	-	Between 6.0 and 9.5

The proposed volume for discharge is approximately 1500 m<sup>3</sup>. Water from the portal will be moved to the containment pond at BOS-2 and from there to the local environment. The discharge location is not within 30m of any water body and the effluent will be discharged in a manner that prevents surface erosion at the point of discharge and downstream of it.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this notification and if you have any questions regarding this notification, please feel free to contact me at [chris.hanks@newmont.com](mailto:chris.hanks@newmont.com).

Sincerely yours,

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