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Item: NWB2MEA0204/Part B/Item I

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By Email

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Subject: Review of 2002 and 2003 Year End Reports for the Meadowbank Exploration Project

Dear Mr. Goodings,

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") has completed its review of the 2002 Year End Report, received February 4, 2003 and the 2003 Year End Report, received February 6, 2004 for the Meadowbank Exploration Project ("Meadowbank"), as well as the subsequent addendum, received on April 1, 2004. As part of the review process, the Year End Reports and addendum were distributed for technical review. Only one submission from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada was received by the deadline for submissions. That submission is available on the NWB's FTP site at:

<http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nwb/NWB2%20EXPLORATION/NWB2MEA/Annual%20Report/>

While the Year End Reports and addendum address appear to adequately address most of the information required in Part B, Item I of Licence NWB2MEA0204, the following information should be submitted with the upcoming 2004 Year End Report, due March 31, 2005, in order to make reporting more complete:

1. The 2004 Year End Report shall clearly identify the source(s) of raw water.
2. The 2004 Year End Report shall provide the measured maximum daily and annual cumulative volumes of raw water pumped from source. If this information is available from 2002 and 2003, then it shall be provided as a table in the 2004 Year End Report.
3. The 2004 Year End Report shall, as is practically feasible, provide the volumes and location of wastewater and solid waste generated.
4. The 2004 Year End Report shall contain any results from pre-release monitoring or water treatment.
5. The 2004 Year End Report shall contain more quantitative information regarding its progressive reclamation activities.

Any questions or concerns can be addressed to Patrick Duxbury by email coordinator@nwb.nunavut.ca or to the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Original signed by:

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