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**RE: NWB2MEA0507/TR/I1- CUMBERLAND RESOURCES LTD. REVISED
ABANDONMENT & RESTORATION PLAN**

Dear Richard:

The Department of Environment (DOE) has reviewed the revised abandonment & restoration plan submitted by Cumberland Resources Ltd. for the Meadowbank Gold Project, the DOE has the following comments and recommendations to make.

- The site description should be more comprehensive, and it should include the site location (UTM coordinates), fuel storage locations, the type of exploration, approximate area being disturbed, and the number of workers.
- A site map should be included and be scaled large enough to encompass fuel storage facilities, nearby buildings, drill sites, and UTM coordinates with respect to nearby communities.
- The proponent contact information, and emergency contact information should be included in the plan.
- The plan should provide the information in regard to the quantities of fuels brought on site, in addition to any fuels left on site.

- The Environmental Protection Service (EPS) of the DOE monitors the movement of hazardous waste, from the generator, carrier to the final disposal, through a tracking document (Waste Manifest). A Waste Manifest must accompany all movements, and all parties must register with the EPS. There is no mention of this procedure in the plan.
- Soil contaminated by fuel (e.g. soils under an old storage tank) should be treated on site or removed to an approved disposal site and replaced with new soil.

We thank NWB for giving us the opportunity to review and provide comments on the revised abandonment & restoration plan submitted by the Cumberland Resources Ltd. Please contact me if you have any further questions or comments.

Yours sincerely,

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