From: <u>Mark Balog</u>
To: <u>Phyllis Beaulieu</u>

Subject: FW: 100510 2BB-MEL0914 Amendment Applications on Hold

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Attachments: 100506 2BB-MEL0914 INAC Comments-IMLE.pdf

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CMF bonding response letter Apr 12.pdf

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Cc: John Witteman; Sandy Barham

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Hi Tanya,

We received a letter of yours dated May 6, 2010 that you sent to the NWB indicating that Comaplex was in non-compliance due to it not submitting a \$639,000 security bond for its Meliadine project. Since your letter has resulted in the NWB not reviewing any of our present amendments or applications, we obviously need to respond to you directly (see attached). Within your letter, and also in the one from the NWB, there are two options available to Comaplex – we have taken the option of providing a framework for the timely resolution of the bonding situation.

As you are hopefully aware, the issue of double bonding on exploration projects is a sensitive one. Comaplex presently pays a \$950,000 bond to the KivIA for the Meliadine project. Since the INAC estimate of the cost to clean up water and land on the project is \$639,000, we feel Comaplex is overpaying to the KivIA already. Now we have the request for more security for the same thing from INAC. This is not a new situation for mining companies operating in Nunavut, nor most people would agree, a fair situation, but there appears to be a desire by all parties involved to try to find a way to resolve this matter.

On April 12, 2010, Comaplex sent a letter to the KIA, the NWB, and INAC explaining its stance on the security request and in it provided several options for resolution of the double bonding issue (see attached). A second letter to address an Inspector's letter was sent to all parties on May 6, 2010. Additional discussions and correspondence with the heads of both the KivIA (Luis Manzo – April 21, 2010) and INAC (Bernie McIsaac – May 6, 2010) on the bonding issue were also made. In the discussion with Bernie, we agreed that the KIA, INAC, and Comaplex would sit down together in the next few weeks to try to resolve this. INAC will be setting up this meeting.

I am not sure what more you require in the form of a framework for resolution of the bonding from Comaplex, but there has been active and positive participation by the various parties to work this out. You may not have been aware of these discussions and we hope that with this information you will allow the NWB to quickly progress with their study and approval of the three amendments now before them. We are trying to get this resolved and have a history of working through these matters with the regulators. If you require any additional information, please contact me directly.

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Please see attached regarding amendments to 2BB-MEL0914, Meliadine Project. Regards,

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