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**Subject: Submission of Abandonment and Restoration Plan under Licence 2BB-MEL0709**

Dear Mr. Balog:

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") would like to acknowledge receipt of the above document under Part H, Item 1 of Licence 2BB-MEL0709 on October 4, 2007. The document was distributed for review, with a comment submission deadline of November 9, 2007.

The Abandonment & Restoration (A&R) Plan refers to the placement of any inert, non combustible materials suitable for burial within the decline or boxcut. The Licence renewal that was submitted January 12, 2007 indicated that all solid waste/bulky items will be incinerated or backhauled to Rankin Inlet. The Licence issued took into account the above disposal methods, and therefore does not include any terms and conditions allowing for the burial of waste (landfill). An amendment to the 2BB-MEL0709 Licence would be required for the burial of any solid waste or bulky items.

The NWB also acknowledges that the A&R Plan submitted is specific to the underground mineral exploration program and the bulk sample aspects of the Meliadine West Exploration and Bulk Sampling Project. The A&R Plan under the Licence is intended to be a stand alone document for all A&R activities associated with the Meliadine West Exploration and Bulk Sampling Project as required by Part I, Item 1 which states '*a revised stand-alone Abandonment and Reclamation Plan that is specific to the scope of this Licence...*'. As per Part I, Item 2, the proponent is requested to submit for approval, within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter, a comprehensive Abandonment & Restoration Plan designed for the entire Meliadine West Gold Project. This Plan should include all relevant information from previously submitted A&R plans as well as address the following issues that were identified during the review:

- Include who updated the Plan and a table of contents complete with page numbering

- The effective period of the Plan, generally covering the current regulatory instruments in place
- GPS (latitude and longitude) coordinates for the camp, fuel storage, ore storage pad and boxcut;
- Address comments received by INAC (available on the NWB public registry)

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned or Phyllis Beaulieu, Manager of Licensing, by telephone, or by email at [licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org](mailto:licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org).

Yours truly,

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