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Your reference  
2BE-CRA1015/TR/I1

Richard Dwyer  
Licensing Administrator  
Nunavut Water Board  
Gjoa Haven, Nunavut X0E 1J0

*Sent Via Email*

Dear Richard,

**Subject      Water License #2BE-CRA1015/TR/I1, North Country Gold Corporation, Committee Bay Project, Kitikmeot Region, Submission of Revised Abandonment and Restoration Plan**

Please be advised that on behalf of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, I have completed a review of the above referenced North Country Gold Corporation submission to the Nunavut Water Board.

A Technical Review Memorandum (attached) is provided for the Board's consideration.

Feel free to contact me at 867 975-4555 or [david.abernethy@inac-ainc.gc.ca](mailto:david.abernethy@inac-ainc.gc.ca) if you have any questions regarding this submission.

Regards,

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Attached.

Cc: Lou-Ann Cornacchio, INAC Water Resources Manager  
Peter Kusugak, INAC Field Operations Manager  
Melissa Joy, INAC Water Resource Officer

# TECHNICAL REVIEW MEMORANDUM

Date: July 30/10

To: Richard Dwyer, Nunavut Water Board

From: David Abernethy, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada

Re: **Water License #2BE-CRA1015/TR/I1, North Country Gold Corporation, Committee Bay Project, Kitikmeot Region, Submission of Revised Abandonment and Restoration Plan**

## A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

On June 30/10 the Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) distributed North Country Gold Corporation's (NCGC) revised Abandonment and Restoration Plan (dated Apr. 30/10) to interested parties for review. This plan was submitted pursuant Part I, Item #1 of the Committee Bay Project's Type B exploration license, #2BE-CRA1015. Representations were requested by July 30/10.

## B. RESULTS OF REVIEW

On behalf of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), I am providing the following comments / recommendations for the Board's consideration,

### 1. General

The submitted plan outlines acceptable abandonment and reclamation procedures for NCGC's Committee Bay Project. This plan should be reviewed on a regular basis and revised when appropriate to reflect the project's current status and best practices in abandonment and reclamation. Any revisions must be submitted to the NWB pursuant to Part B: General Conditions, Item #3. Aspects of the plan that were identified during my review and should be revised are as follows, aspect

#### a) Emergency Contact Information

The INAC Water Resource Officer contact included in Section 8 of this plan should be revised to include Melissa Joy who can be reached at 867 975-4548. Peter Kusugak, INAC Field Operations Manager, listed in this section should remain the primary INAC emergency contact.

## **b) Project Maps**

Schematic diagrams of the project camps (Hayes, Crater Lake, Bullion, and Ingot) are included in Appendix 1 of the submitted plan. NCGC should replace these diagrams with topographic maps that reference all camps, fuel storage areas, surrounding water bodies (including drainage basins), and any other information that can be used to better understand the potential for project activities to impact or be impacted by freshwater sources.

## **2. Solid Waste Management Practices**

The Bullion and Ingot schematic diagrams (refer to Appendix 1 of the submitted plan) reference burn barrels. According to Part D: Conditions Applying to Waste Disposal, Item #4 of the license, the open burning of plastics, wood treated with preservatives, electric wire, Styrofoam, asbestos, or painted wood is not permitted unless otherwise approved by the Board in writing. NCGC should confirm that there will be no open burning of such wastes in their project area. The disposal of waste materials at an approved waste management facility or by incineration in accordance with Environment Canada's "Technical Document for Batch Waste Incineration" is acceptable.

Prepared by David Abernethy

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Melissa Joy, INAC Water Resource Officer