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**File No: NWB2GEO9702-Renew**

January 23, 2002

Ms. Gladys Joudrey  
Environmental Assessment Officer  
Nunavut Impact Review Board  
P.O. Box 2379  
Cambridge Bay, NU X0E 0C0

Subject: Kinross Gold Corporation – Request for Screening – Renewal- George Lake

The Nunavut Water Board received an application for a permit renewal on January 3<sup>rd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2002 from Kinross Gold Corporation for water use and waste disposal associated with exploratory and advanced drilling.

Please note that NWB2GEO9702 is still currently in the name of Aurauco NWT Ltd. but the assignment application is currently being processed and will likely be completed prior to the completion of the screening process, which is why we are proceeding with the renewal application at this point.

In accordance with Articles 12 and 13 of the *Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, this project shall be screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board to determine whether it has significant impact potential, and whether it requires review, before the application can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board.

The application documents for this renewal are available through the internet on our ftp site at <ftp.nwb.yk.com> in the folder "NWB2GEO9702" and subfolder "Renewal."

If for any reason, the screening process will be less than 45 days, please let our office know immediately so that we can set our deadline for public concerns accordingly.

Sincerely,

***Original signed by:***

Rita Becker  
Licensing Administrator

cc. John Bokich, Kinross Gold Corporation