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File: NWB1GOO0104/Renewal

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By Email and Regular Mail

John Wakeford
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Subject: Licence NWB1GOO0104 Renewal Application

Dear Mr. Wakeford;

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") has had an opportunity to complete a preliminary technical review of the above application dated November 15, 2004. In order to proceed with the renewal application process, a number of items require clarification and inclusion in order to proceed with distribution for comments to all interested persons.

The items noted are as follows:

1. The previous licence indicates a Location of Undertaking at 65° 35' latitude and 106° 25' Longitude, however the renewal application indicates a longitude of 112° 25'. This should be confirmed or the appropriate change made.
2. Q9 of the Application indicates a LUP in place (answered YES) with no dates included, however Q4 of the Questionnaire indicates that the Land Use Permit KTL304C017 is pending renewal as of November 15, 2004.
3. Is all water use to be drawn from Goose Lake? The location map included has the only reference to a "water intake" at the camp with the source being Goose Lake. Q13 and 14 of the questionnaire do not elaborate on the use of water or if any other source is planned. Q30 of the questionnaire does not indicate a "source" of the water to be used but lists an intended use of the water.
4. Indicate whether drilling will be restricted to land or if lake based drilling is to be expected during the Licence term. Q15 of the questionnaire seems to indicate that some lake based drilling has been done in the past.
5. The Spill Contingency Plan is an essential element of the application and was not included with the application package for distribution and review. The SCP currently on file is under the header of Kinross Gold Corporation and has not been updated since submission with the application in 2001. A revised plan is required for this application.
6. Q59 of the questionnaire requests a "conceptual abandonment and restoration plan" for the site. Costs have been included as well as an indication that security will be posted. A Plan needs to be

developed and submitted that can function as a stand alone document and should include, but not be limited to an introduction, project description, site description (including maps and photos) and facilities (including camp, chemical and fuel storage), drill locations and materials on site, any planned progressive reclamation, a schedule for completion and liability estimate and means of documentation and inspection upon closure.

With the above in mind, the NWB is requesting that Miramar Bathurst Resources Ltd. revise the application and supplemental information at the earliest opportunity for submission and subsequent processing.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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