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Newmont Mining Corp. 1700 Lincoln Street, Denver, Colorado USA 80203

Re: Application Acknowledgement for the Henik Lake Project.

Dear Alison Armstrong:

The Nunavut Water Board acknowledges receipt on January 19, 2005 of your new water license application, for the Henik Lake Project.

We undertook a preliminary administrative review of your application and conclude that it does not contain sufficient information. Specifically, we are asking you to provide the Inuktitut version of the Executive Summary submitted. We will resume the processing of your application once we receive the requested information.

Also required is a \$30.00 Water Use Fee, payable to Receiver General of Canada, pursuant to the Northern Inland Waters Regulations, which became effective as of January 1, 2005. Please refer to these regulations which are on our ftp site at http://ftp.nunavut.ca/nwb/NWB%20Administration/.

In addition, Jim Wall, Technical Advisor is the primary for this application. Any questions of a technical nature should be forwarded to Mr. Jim Wall at tech1@nwb.nunavut.ca. or 867-983-2214. Please note, the Technical Advisor may require additional technical information during the review process.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Susie Ikkutisluk Licensing Trainee