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Attention: Ms. Dionne Filiatrault, Executive Director
Ms. Phyllis Beaulieu, Manager of Licensing

Application for Amendment of Water Licence No. 2BE-HOP0712

This application is for an amendment to 2BE-HOP0712, to increase the total quantity of water permitted under the licence to a total of 100 cubic metres per day. Water for camp use will continue to be from Windy Lake, and drilling water will be sourced from proximal water bodies. The increase is requested to support planned 2008 exploration programs that are directed at development of a phase 2 project in the belt.

Enclosed with this letter are the following documents:

- Completed NWB Application Form;
- Land Use Licence No. KTL303056 issued by the Kitikmeot Inuit Association;
- Project Summary (note a translation is in preparation and will be provided to the NWB upon completion);
- \$30 application fee and \$30 water use fee.

Please contact me if you have additional questions or require any further information to proceed with your consideration of this proposed amendment. We would greatly appreciate any guidance you can provide us with respect to obtaining approvals for this work as soon as possible, as the work requiring the additional water volumes is scheduled to commence by April 1, 2008.

Sincerely,

Michael Meyer
Director, Environmental and Social Responsibility
Hope Bay Mining Ltd.