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**File No: NWB2HOP0002**

July 24, 2000

Hope Bay Gold Corporation Inc.  
c/o Jane Howe  
10356 Skagit Drive  
Delta, BC V4C 2K9

Subject: Receipt of Application for Amendment to Water Permit-Hope Bay

Dear Ms. Howe:

The Nunavut Water Board acknowledges that the application for amendment to water permit, NWB2HOP0002, has been completed and that no further material is necessary at this point in time. The completed application includes an application form, executive summary in both English and Inuktitut, a map, and the application fee.

I apologize for any confusion created by our letter dated June 28, 2000.

Sincerely,  
***Original signed by:***

Rita Becker  
Licensing Administrator

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