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NWB File No: NWB2HOP0002

November 7, 2001

Hugh R. Wilson
Manager, Environmental Affairs
Hope Bay Joint Venture
Miramar Hope Bay Ltd. – Hope Bay Gold Corporation Inc.
311 West First Street,
North Vancouver, BC V7M 1B5

Re: Application Acknowledgement and Requirement for Notice of the application for the Hope Bay Belt Project

Dear Mr. Wilson:

The Nunavut Water Board acknowledges receipt on October 30, 2001 of your water licence application for Hope Bay Belt Project Your application included the following items:

- cover letter dated October 26, 2001
- executive summary in English AND Inuktitut
- application form
- supplementary questionnaire
- Windy Camp map and photo

The originals of all of the above have also been received. However, at this point we are still missing the original application fee of \$30 payable to the Receiver General of Canada. We have only received a photocopy of the cheque.

This project is currently being screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board and has been sent for their determination as to whether they require further review, or if it can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board.

I have been asked by the Board to inform you that a <u>notice of your application is required</u>. This notice of requirement is based on Article 13.3.14 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA), which states that the Board should take "...all steps necessary by way of notice...to provide and promote public awareness [of hearings]."

Accordingly, please have the enclosed notice in both English and Inuinnaqtun published in a two-column width format in the **News North** as per enclosed "Instructions for Publication of Notice in Newspaper." The Applicant is responsible for payment of the publication.

Upon request from the public, we ask you to make available, free of charge, copies of all documents pertaining to this application. Any person who is affected by this application or concerned with it, may submit a letter of concern, which must be submitted to the Board within the period of time shown on the public notice.

Please note that the confirmation of notice posting, must be submitted to our office before your application process will be completed.

Please call the undersigned at (867)360-6338 or rbecker@polarnet.ca if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Rita Becker Licensing Administrator

Enclosures

cc.

Paul Smith, DIAND Paula Pacholek, EC Gladys Joudrey, NIRB Paul Partridge, DSD