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Subject: Hope Bay Mining Limited; Submission of 2005, 2006 and 2007 Annual Reports for the Windy Lake Camp; Licence 2BE-HOP0712

Dear Mr. Hanks;

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB) would like to acknowledge receipt of the above Annual Reports under Part B, Item 2 on Licence 2BE-HOP0712. The technical review of the Annual Reports has been completed and the NWB approves the submitted Reports. During the technical review it was noted that in 2007 several of the samples taken at HOP-2 exceeded parameters set out in the Licence. The Licensee is instructed to implement all necessary measures to prevent future incidents of discharges outside of the acceptable parameters. It was also noted that the annual report contained forty-three (43) spill incidences. Although many of the spills were minor in nature the Licensee is reminded that all mitigation measures should be taken to prevent spills of any size.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (867) 360-6338 or email at dbridge@nunavutwaterboard.org at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

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Technical Advisor