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Re: 2BE-HOP0712 Discharge from Bulk Fuel Storage Facility HOP-5

Dear Melissa and David,

Please be advised that Hope Bay Mining Ltd., under Part D: Item 16 of the Hope Bay Regional Exploration Permit 2BE-HOP0712, is providing written notice to the Inspector prior to a planned discharge from the Bulk Fuel Facility HOP-5 located at Windy Camp.

Sampling undertaken at Monitoring Program Station HOP-5 on September 8, 2009 indicates that the water in the fuel storage containment area meets the effluent quality standards for discharge as specified in the licence.

Table 1. Results of Monitoring Program Station Sampling for HOP-5, Windy Camp Bulk Fuel Storage

Parameters	HOP-5	Hope Bay: 2BE-HOP0712
Water Source	Bulk Fuel Storage Windy Camp	Monitoring Program Station Description
ALS Lab Reference #		Compliance Values
Field Sample Details	HOP-5	Part D: Item 17
Sample Date/Time	September 08, 2009 @ 1430 hrs	Part J: Item 4
Oil & Grease	<1.0	15 mg/L or 30 mg/L
Oil and Grease No Visible Sheen	nvs	No visible sheen (nvs)
Benzene	< 0.00050	0.37 mg/L
Toluene	< 0.00050	0.002 mg/L
Ethyl benzene	< 0.00050	0.09 mg/L
Lead	<0.001	0.001 mg/L

The proposed volume for discharge is approximately 120 m³, and the proposed location is at the approved disposal location specified in the licence for the Waste Water Treatment Facility HOP-2 discharge point

which is over the hill to the north and east of the camp. This location is not within 30m of any water body and the effluent will be discharged in a manner that prevents erosion at the point of discharge and downstream.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this notification and direct please feel free to contact me at chris.hanks@newmont.com.

Sincerely yours,

Chris Hanks
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cc. Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board