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Dear Melissa and David,

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

Please be advised that HBML, under Part D: Item 16 of the Hope Bay Regional Exploration Permit 2BE-HOP0712, is providing written notice to an 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 July 5/10 after processing the effluent through the oil/water separator 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 #	L905779-1	Compliance Values
Field Sample Details	HOP-5	Part D: Item 17
Sample Date/Time	July 5, 2010 @ 1400 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
Ethylbenzene	< 0.00050	0.09 mg/L
Lead	< 0.00040	0.001 mg/L

VIA EMAIL

The proposed volume for discharge is approx. 240m³, and the proposed location is to the tundra southeast of the berm and such that it is not within 30m of any water body. 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 any questions to the undersigned. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at chris.hanks@newmont.com.

Sincerely yours,

Bill Patterson HBML Environmental Affairs Manager On Behalf of:

Chris Hanks Director of Environment and Social Responsibility Hope Bay Mining Ltd.

cc. Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board