



HOPE BAY JOINT VENTURE

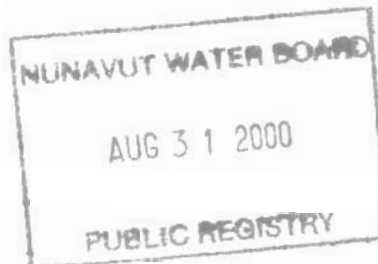
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August 31, 2000

Mr. Philippe di Pizzo
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Dear Mr. di Pizzo,



Re: Water Quality Report for Water Permit: NWB2HOP0002

This letter serves to report the results of open water samples collected pursuant to Part E, section 7 of the above noted water permit issued March 10, 2000 and amended August 22, 2000. The permit stipulates that once a month during the open water season, samples must be collected where greywaters may potentially enter Windy Lake. The following table summarizes the results of the two samples collected from the shoreline water of Windy Lake.

Parameters	Windy Lake N. Down-slope from the latrines	Windy Lake S. Down-slope from greywater discharge
Sample Date	July 27, 2000	July 27, 2000
Physical Tests		
pH	7.8	7.8
Total Suspended Solids (mg/l)	<5	<5
Bacteriological Tests		
Coliform - Fecal (mpn/100ml)	1	1
Extractables		
Oil and Grease (mg/l)	<5	<5
Organic Parameters		
BOD-5 (mg/l)	<5	<5

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at hugh_r_wilson@hotmail.com or hwilson@miramarmining.com. Alternatively, you can contact our consultant Jane Howe at (804)951-1930 or jmhowe@uniserve.com.

Sincerely,
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per:

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