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**Subject: Hope Bay Mining Limited; Submission of a Landfarm Operation and Maintenance Manual for the Windy Lake Camp; Licence 2BE-HOP0712**

Dear Mr. Hanks;

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB) acknowledges receipt of your letter dated September 5, 2008 that made reference to an INAC inspection at the Windy Lake Camp. As the result of the INAC inspection Hope Bay Mining Ltd. decided to decommission the Windy Lake landfarm and a letter dated May 13, 2008 was submitted to the NWB detailing that plan. The NWB confirms that it has no record of this submission and Hope Bay Mining Ltd, in their September 8, 2008 letter, acknowledges that they have never received any confirmation of receipt from the NWB. The Licensee is reminded that, as per Part B, Item 7 of the Licence, the Licensee shall ensure that any document(s) or correspondence submitted by the Licensee to the Board is received and acknowledged by the Manager of Licensing.

As Newmont has indicated that the landfarm is being decommissioned, it is necessary that Newmont submit to the board an Abandonment and Restoration Plan specific for the landfarm. This Plan should deal entirely with the final abandonment and restoration plans for the Windy Lake landfarm and shall be submitted within sixty (60) days of the date of this letter. The Abandonment and Restoration plan for the Windy Lake landfarm shall detail:

1. Abandonment and Restoration procedures that are site-specific to the Windy Lake Landfarm;
2. Treatment and disposal procedures for all remaining soils within the landfarm;
3. Disposal plans for all construction materials including the landfarm berm, liner and any other materials used in the construction and operation of the landfarm;
4. A plan to test and, if necessary, remediate the soil beneath and around the landfarm;
5. How the natural contours of the land will be restored in any disturbed areas associated with landfarm operations;
6. Plans, if required, to restore the natural drainage patterns for areas disturbed by landfarm operations;
7. A plan for final inspection of the landfarm site including plans for documentation and photographs that will be submitted to the NWB.

The NWB looks forward to receiving the submission described above. Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at (867) 360-6338 or email at [dbridge@nunavutwaterboard.org](mailto:dbridge@nunavutwaterboard.org) at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

*Original signed by:*

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