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Phyllis Beaulieu Manager of Licensing Nunavut Water Board

via Email to: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

RE: NWB FILE # 2BE-HOP0712 – Spill Contingency Plan & Revised Emergency Response Plan

Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

The Government of Nunavut, Department of Environment (DOE) has reviewed the Spill Contingency Plan and Revised Emergency Response Plan for the Hope Bay Project. The DOE has the following comments and recommendations based on the *Environmental Protection Act*.

The Government of Nunavut should be included as a key contact throughout the Spill Contingency Plan. The DOE's Manager of Pollution Control, Ian Rumbolt, can be contacted at (867) 975-7748 or irumbolt@gov.nu.ca.

The DOE thanks the NWB for giving us the opportunity to review and provide comments on this submission from Hope Bay Mining Ltd. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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