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**Subject: Approval of Spill Contingency Plan and Updated Emergency Response and Contingency Plan**

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Dear Mr. Hanks,

Hope Bay Mining Ltd. submitted, on October 13, 2009, and in accordance with Part H, Item 1 of Licence 2BE-HOP0712, a Spill Contingency Plan and an updated Emergency Response and Contingency Plan. Initially the plans were technically incomplete and the Applicant was requested to provide revised plans which were received on March 29, 2010. The plans were distributed to interested parties for review and comments with responses received from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada and GN-Department of Environment.

No issues were identified with the Plans and they were considered internally as being operationally acceptable and have been approved by the Board under Motion 2010-17-L14 on October 27, 2010.

Yours truly,

*Original signed by:*

Phyllis Beaulieu  
Manager of Licensing

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