

January 24, 2011

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Re: 2BE-HOP0712 – Windy Camp and Patch Lake Facility Final Closure Plans

Dear Ms. Beaulieu,

Please find included with this letter a hard copy and CD of Hope Bay Mining Ltd.'s (HBML) final closure plans for Windy Camp and the Patch Lake Facility. These plans are required by Type B water licence 2BE-HOP0712. As per Amendment 5 of the licence, effective Dec. 15, 2010, HBML is providing these final closure plans to the NWB by January 31, 2011.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me at Chris.Hanks@Newmont.com.

Sincerely,

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

Encl. -Hope Bay Project Windy Camp Final Closure Plan (hard copy and CD)
-Hope Bay Project Patch Lake Facility Final Closure Plan (hard copy and CD)