

February 27, 2008

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Re: January 2008 –Monthly Monitoring Report for Water License 2BE-HOP0712

Following is the monthly report for January 2008 as required under Water license 2BE-HOP0712.

1. MONITORING PROGRAM

During the month of January 2008, no water and effluent samples were collected, as part of the monitoring program. This was due to several incidences to the RBC unit and the grey water lines systems. Windy Lake was frozen during the reporting period making water sampling at HOP-1 and HOP-3 unsafe. At sampling point HOP-2, snow accumulation over the transfer box made it impossible to obtain a sample. No effluents were discharged from HOP-4, HOP-5 and HOP-6 during January.

2. WATER USAGE

During the month of January 2008, Windy camp was in operation for the whole month. Water abstraction pumps were located at Windy Lake (HOP-1). Table 1 provides the water volume usage as required under Part J, Item 6 of the water licenses (2BE-HOP0712).

Table 1: Water usage in cubic meters (m³) for Windy Lake Camp

Details	HOP-1	Remarks	Remarks
Water Source	Windy Lake	Part C: Item 1	2BE-HOP0712: Compliance License
Monthly Cumulative	168.8	620	1550 m ³ monthly
Volume Average (Daily)	5.4	20	50 m ³ daily
Median	5.2	20	50 m ³ daily
Maximum	7.2	20	50 m ³ daily
Minimum	3.2	20	50 m ³ daily

3. WASTE MANAGEMENT

a. NON-COMBUSTIBLE WASTES

These include old cement bags, used drilling rods and casing, electrical wire, piping, nails, office equipment, recreational equipment, empty 44-gallon drums, broken down machines and snowmobiles, and old drilling equipment and spare parts.

At Windy Lake Camp, non-combustible materials packed in drums during the summer of 2007 were flown out of Windy camp. Details on the total backhaul load will be provided in the February month-end report. No hazardous materials were flown offsite.

Packed drums of garbage and other non-combustible materials from Patch Lake and Boston Camp are currently being relocated to Doris Lake ice-strip in preparation for backhauls in the month of February.

b. COMBUSTIBLE WASTES

These include kitchen wastes, timbers, lumbers, plywood, papers, cardboards, old maxi bags, old tents, tarpaulins, garbage bags.

All kitchen wastes were burnt in the incinerator at camp. Ashes from the incinerator were packed into 44-gallon drums and stored onsite.

Used timbers and other combustible rejects resulted from ongoing construction work are piling up at Windy Camp. Since open-burning is not allowed under the current operating permit, it is a challenge to figure out what needs to be done to manage this issue.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENTS

No environmental incidents were report during the reporting period.

Should there be any questions regarding the monthly report for January 2008, **please** contact Matthew Kawei, Senior Environmental Coordinator, Newmont Hope Bay Limited on phone number: 1-604-759-2324 or email: mkawei@miramarmining.com

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Kawei' with a stylized flourish at the end.

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