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Subject: Submission of December 2008 Monthly Monitoring Report

Dear Mr. Hanks:

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") acknowledges receipt of a submission from Hope Bay Mining Ltd. entitled, December 2008-Monthly Monitoring Report for Water License 2BE-HOP0712, received on January 22, 2009 as a requirement of 2BE-HOP0712. This submission has been placed on the NWB public registry and is available from the NWB ftp site at the following link:

ftp://nunavutwaterboard.org/2BE%20-%20EXPLORATION/2BE-HOP/Technical%20Reviews/ Monthly Report

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