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Re: Submission of Revised Quality Assurance/Quality Control Plan for Licences 2AM-DOH0713, 2BB-BOS1217, and 2BE-HOP1222

Dear Ms. Beaulieu,

Please find attached a copy of Hope Bay Mining Ltd.'s Revision 7.1 of the QA/QC Plan covering licences 2AM-DOH0713, 2BE-HOP1222, and 2BB-BOS1217. The plan contains only minor revisions and clarification that this plan is applicable regardless of project status. No changes have been made to technical content. It is submitted for your review and approval under the requirements of:

2AM-DOH0713 – Part B: Item 7 and Part K: Items 1 – 4 2BE-HOP2212 – Part J: Items 14 – 18 2BB-BOS0712 – Part B: Item 12 and Part J: Items 17 – 21

A copy of this document was sent to the AANDC Taiga Laboratory in Yellowknife for review and was approved in a letter dated November 27, 2012. Kindly acknowledge receipt of this plan when received. If you have any questions at all, please contact me at Lea-Marie.Bowes-Lyon@newmont.com.

Sincerely,

Léa-Marie Bowes-Lyon Tenure and Permitting Coordinator Specialist Hope Bay Mining Ltd.

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