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File: 2BE-HOP0712

May 4, 2009

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RE: 2BE-HOP0712 Type “B” – Amendment No.2

Dear Mr. Hanks:

Please find attached, Amendment No.2 to Licence No. 2BE-HOP0712 Type “B” issued to Hope Bay Mining Ltd. by the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) (**Motion 2009-02-L04**) pursuant to its authority under Article 13 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada* and the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*. The terms and conditions of the original Licence related to water use and waste disposal remain an integral part of this approval.

The NWB recommends that the Licensee consult the comments received by interested persons. This information is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Thomas Kabloona
Nunavut Water Board
Chair

TK/dh/pb

Enclosure: Licence No. **2BE-HOP0712 - Amendment No.2**
Comments – KIA, INAC, GN-DoE

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LICENCE AMENDMENT No. 2

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| Licensee: | HOPE BAY MINING LTD. |
| Licence No: | 2BE-HOP0712 Type "B" |
| Licence Issued: | July 20, 2007 |
| Effective Date: | May 4, 2009 |

Pursuant to its authority under Article 13 of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada* and the *Nunavut Waters and the Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, with respect to an application for amendment dated April 8, 2009, made by Hope Bay Mining Ltd., the Nunavut Water Board hereby grants the following Licence amendment.

The Licence issued July 20, 2007 with an expiry date of June 30, 2012 shall be amended to include the following terms and conditions, with respect to use of water and deposit of waste, to allow Hope Bay Mining Ltd. temporary use of water from Windy Lake for the Doris Camp, operated under water Licence 2AM-DOH0713, located approximately 100km southwest of Cambridge Bay at latitude 68°03'N and longitude 106°37'W.

PART A SCOPE, DEFINITIONS AND ENFORCEMENT

Insert In addition, allow the temporary use of water from Windy Lake and transport to the Doris Camp via winter road for potable use until the new treatment system is commissioned at the Doris Camp.

Part C: CONDITIONS APPLYING TO WATER USE

Amend Item 1 The Licensee shall obtain all water for domestic camp use from Windy Lake for the Windy Camp or Doris Camp, not exceeding 20 cubic metres per day. Drill water shall be obtained from local water source(s), proximal to the drilling targets as outlined in the application and detailed on the June, 2007 drawing entitled "Hope Bay Exploration Drilling Water Sources". The volume of water for drilling purposes shall not exceed 80 cubic metres per day.

Insert Item 8 The Licensee shall provide notice to the Inspector upon completion of the water treatment upgrades at the Doris Camp and cessation of domestic water use requirements from Windy Lake for the Camp.

Insert Item 9 The Licensee shall provide five (5) days Notice to the Inspector prior to any further requirement for water use from Windy Lake for domestic purposes at the Doris Camp. The notice shall include method of water taking, method of transport to the Camp, duration of water requirement and anticipated volumes required.

PART J: CONDITIONS APPLYING TO MONITORING

Amend Item 6 The Licensee shall measure and record, in cubic metres, the daily quantities of water used for Camp, drilling and for all other purposes. The use of Windy Lake as a temporary water source for the Doris Camp shall be recorded and reported as a separate use within the annual report required under Part B, Item 2(i).

All remaining terms and conditions of the Licence 2BE-HOP0712 Type 'B' dated July 20, 2007 still apply.

This Licence Amendment issued and recorded at Gjoa Haven, NU on May 4, 2009.

Approved by,



Thomas Kabloona
Nunavut Water Board
Chair