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File Nos.: **2BE-HIG1722**  
**2BE-IZO1823**

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**RE: NWB Technical Review of 2019 and 2020 Annual Reports for Water Licences Nos:  
2BE-HIG1722, High Lake Project; and  
2BE-IZO1823, Izok Lake Project**

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Dear Mr. Muraro and Ms. Hasek:

The Nunavut Water Board (NWB or Board) has completed its technical review of the 2019 and 2020 Annual Reports (Reports) provided to the Board by MMG Resources Ltd. (Licensee) on April 29, 2021, to fulfill the requirements of Part B of Water Licences Nos: 2BE-HIG1722 and 2BE-IZO1823.

Upon receipt, both Reports were made available to the Kitikmeot distribution list for information. No comments have been received to date.

The Board notes that the Reports were provided to the NWB after the deadline and would like to remind the Licensee that the Annual Reporting requirements of the Licence should be adhered to at all times so as to help maintain full compliance with respective terms and conditions of the Licence. The Board strongly recommends that all future annual submissions are provided to the Board on time.

The technical review of the Reports determined that the information provided generally addresses the requirements of respective Water Licences. The Board appreciates indication that no Water use or Waste deposit occurred in the recent years, because both sites have been on long-term care and maintenance since 2015.

The NWB understands that some site clean-up was conducted at the High Lake Project in August 2019. However, the Board could not locate any information on reclamation of the historic drilling

locations at both High Lake and Izok Lake Projects previously requested by CIRNA Inspector<sup>1</sup>. The Licensee is strongly advised to address all concerns raised by the Inspector and to provide a summary of completed work within the 2021 Annual Report.

Additionally, the NWB commands the Licensee's commitment to submit the updated Spill Contingency and Abandonment and Restoration Plans for Water Licence No: 2BE-IZO1823 within the 2021 Annual Report and advises the Licensee to consult the comments received from CIRNA and ECCC<sup>2</sup> during the 2018 Licence renewal.

The Board would also like to remind the Licensee that Water Licence No: 2BE-HIG1722 will expire on August 3, 2022. Therefore, a Licence Renewal process should be initiated at least three months prior to the expiration date, if the Licensee intends to continue working on the High Lake Project.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at (867) 360-6338 (extension 29) or [sergey.kuflevskiy@nwb-oen.ca](mailto:sergey.kuflevskiy@nwb-oen.ca), at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



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<sup>1</sup> Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA, or formerly known as INAC) Inspection Report for Water Licence No: 2BE-HIG1722, dated August 12, 2017; and  
CIRNA Inspection Report for Water Licence No: 2BE-IZO1823, dated July 12, 2017

<sup>2</sup> Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs (CIRNA or formerly known as INAC) Comments, dated December 11, 2017; and  
Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) Comments, dated December 11, 2017