

File: 2BE-KAZ1011

May 13, 2014

Mr. Scott Stringer Newmont Mining Corporation P.O. Box 2000 Yellowknife, NT X1A 2M1

Email: scott.stringer@newmont.com

Subject: Licence No. 2BE-KAZ1011 "Baker Lake Project", Kivalliq Region, Nunavut;

Cancellation of the Licence

Dear Mr. Stringer:

On August 12, 2013, the Nunavut Water Board ("NWB or Board") received, from Newmont Mining Corporation, an application to cancel the water licence for the above-mentioned project. The Licence, issued originally to Aurora Energy Resources Ltd. on September 12 2010, authorized water use of (5 m³ per day) and waste disposal associated with exploration works at Baker Lake Project in the Kivalliq Region of Nunavut.

On April 3, 2014, the Board distributed the application for a thirty (30) day comment period. Before the deadline for comments, submission was received from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC). AANDC indicates that according to the AANDC Inspection of July 11, 2012 none of the remaining infrastructure associated with the camp was present on site, and no remediation issues were noted. AANDC recommends that this file may now be closed.

Upon review of all information, NWB determined that the application fulfills the requirements of s. 43(1) of *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* (*Act*)¹ and NWB *Guide* 7.² The NWB has, therefore, approved the application for cancellation of Licence 2BE-KAZ1011 through Board Motion No. 2014-B1-008, dated May 12, 2014.

¹ The s. 43(1)(c) indicates when the Board may cancel a water licence.

² The minimum information requirements set out in the NWB Guidance Document- *Guide 7 – Licensee Requirements Following the Issuance of a Water Licence, April 2010*, see Part 11 and Table 4.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Board at (867) 360-6338 or licensing@nwb-oen.ca, at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Thomas Kabloona Nunavut Water Board

Chair

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cc: Distribution – Kivalliq