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**File: 2BE-MDP1520 /
Amendment No. 1**

August 22, 2017

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Subject: Type “B” Water Licence No. 2BE-MDP1520 – Amendment No. 1

Dear Ms. Gunson:

Please find attached Amendment No. 1 to Type “B” Water Licence No. **2BE-MDP1520**, issued to Apex Geoscience Ltd., by the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) (under Motion No. 2017-B1-025) 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 (Nunavut Agreement)* and the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*. The Terms and Conditions of the existing Licence, related to the use of Water and the deposit of Waste remain integral parts of this approval.

The Nunavut Planning Commission’s (NPC) May 10, 2017 determination¹ confirmed that the scope of proposed activities in support of Amendment No. 1 is for an area that falls outside of the boundaries of the applicable regional land use plans in place and is exempt from the requirement for screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) as the proposed project changes do not alter the general scope of the original project activities. Further NPC determined² that the project is exempt from section 235 of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* and that the exceptions noted in sections 12.4.3 (a) and (b) of the *Nunavut Agreement* do not apply.

¹ Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) Conformity Determination, May 10, 2017

² Ibid.

The Licensee should note that it is required to abide all terms and conditions in the Licence and associated Amendment No. 1 as well as all applicable regulations.

Sincerely,

Thomas Kabloona
Nunavut Water Board
Chair

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Enclosure: **Licence No. 2BE-MDP1520 – Amendment No. 1**

cc. Kitikmeot Distribution List



LICENCE 2BE-MDP1520 – AMENDMENT NO. 1

Licensee:	Apex Geoscience Ltd.
Licence No:	2BE-MDP1520, Type “B”
Licence Issued:	September 10, 2015
Amendment No. 1 Issued	August 22, 2017
Licence Expiry	September 9, 2020

DECISION

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*, with respect to the Application for amendment, dated May 25, 2017, made by Apex Geoscience Ltd., the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) hereby grants the following licence amendment.

The Licence issued September 10, 2015 with an expiry date of September 9, 2020 shall be amended to include the following terms and conditions with respect to the use of water and deposit of waste, to allow Apex Geoscience Ltd. to undertake its mining and exploration activities with respect to the altered the project area extents.

LICENCE AMENDMENT No. 1

The Licence shall be amended to include the following:

Decision (Page ii, Paragraphs 1 and 2)

*Amended
to Read.*

This is the decision of the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) with respect to an application dated May 25, 2017, for an Amendment to a Water Licence made by:

APEX GEOSCIENCE LTD.

to allow for the use of Water and disposal of Waste during exploration activities that include land-based and on-ice drilling at the MuskoX Diamond Project, located within the Kitikmeot Region, Nunavut, generally at the follow geographical coordinates:

Latitude: 66° 51' 49" N	Longitude: 112° 16' 42" W
Latitude: 66° 52' 43" N	Longitude: 110° 45' 50" W
Latitude: 65° 35' 40" N	Longitude: 110° 43' 53" W
Latitude: 65° 35' 22" N	Longitude: 112° 14' 02" W (Project Extent)



Latitude: 65° 48' 20" N	Longitude: 110° 59' 36" W (Contwoyto Camp)
Latitude: 66° 49' 17" N	Longitude: 111° 13' 23" W (James River Camp)
Latitude: 66° 02' 17" N	Longitude: 111° 26' 42" W (Muskox Camp)

PART H: CONDITIONS APPLYING TO SPILL CONTINGENCY PLANNING

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Item 8 The Licensee shall update the plan approved under Part H, Item 1 of the existing licence and submit the updated plan within the 2017 Annual Report. The updated plan shall include an amended project map depicting the areas covered under the new project extents as well as updated contact information for Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC).

PART I: CONDITIONS APPLYING TO ABANDONMENT AND RESTORATION OR TEMPORARY CLOSING

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Item 13 The Licensee shall update the plan approved under Part I, Item 1 of the existing licence and submit the updated plan within of the 2017 Annual Report. The updated plan shall include an amended project map depicting the areas covered by the new project extents as well as updated contact information for Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC).

All remaining terms and conditions of Licence No. 2BE-MDP1520, Type “B”, issued September 10, 2015, still apply.

This Licence Amendment No. 1 issued and recorded at Gjoa Haven, NU on 22nd, August, 2017

Thomas Kabloona
Nunavut Water Board Chair