

NIRB File No.: 06EN009 INAC File No: N2006C0001

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Bogdan Nitescu Hornby Bay Mineral Exploration Ltd. 275 Richmond Street West Toronto, ON M5V 1X1

Via email: <a href="mailto:bnitescu@hornbybay.com">bnitescu@hornbybay.com</a>

Re: <u>Application Acknowledgement and Additional Information Required for the "Coppermine Property Exploration" Project Proposal</u>

Dear Bogdan Nitescu:

On February 2, 2011 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) received an application from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) for an amendment to Hornby Bay Mineral Exploration Ltd.'s (Hornby Bay) "Mouse Lake Exploration" project.

The original project proposal (NIRB File No.: 06EN009) was received by the NIRB from INAC on January 24, 2006. The proposal was screened in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) and on March 27, 2006 the NIRB issued a 12.4.4(a) screening decision to the Minister of INAC which indicated that the proposed project could proceed subject to the NIRB's recommended project-specific terms and conditions.

All documents received and pertaining to the current application for amendment include:

- Hornby Bay correspondence to INAC Re: Request for Amendment to Land Use Permit #N2006C0001 (dated February 1, 2011)
- INAC correspondence to Hornby Bay acknowledging receipt of amendment request (dated February 2, 2011)

The NIRB has undertaken a preliminary completeness check and finds that your project proposal does *not* contain sufficient information for the NIRB to permit proper screening. Specifically, the NIRB is requesting submission of the following information by **February 22, 2011**:

- NIRB Part 2 Project Specific Information Requirements Form (blank form enclosed). Please include the following additional information:
  - Size of wheels on vibrator truck(s)

- o Method of transportation for trucks, crew, and equipment to surveying areas and during surveying work (i.e. will a winter road be prepared for overland travel?)
- o Description of the duration and frequency of seismic activity, including lagtime/intervals between sound generation
- Type of seismic testing (i.e. 2D or 3D)
- o Total length of seismic lines, average distance between geophones (seismic detectors), total surface area to be covered by seismic activity
- Anticipated rate of surveying (i.e. number of line kilometres per day)
- *Non-Technical Project Summary (in English and Inuinnagtun)*
- *Map(s)* showing project in relation to Kitikmeot communities

Please forward all forthcoming submissions to the NIRB at info@nirb.ca or via fax to (867) 983-2594.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at 867-983-4615 or via email at ahanson@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,

Amanda Hanson Technical Advisor

Nunavut Impact Review Board

cc: Jeff Mercer, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada

> Geoff Clark, Kitikmeot Inuit Association George Hakongak, Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. Phyllis Beaulieu, Nunavut Water Board

Enclosed: NIRB Part 2 form