

January 29, 2021 **NWB File No: 2BE-MRY1421**

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Subject: Application Acknowledgement for Mary River Exploration Project

Dear Megan Lord Hoyle:

The Nunavut Water Board ("NWB") acknowledges receipt on January 27, 2021 of your renewal water licence application, for the Mary River Exploration Project. This application has been assigned file number 2BE-MRY1421-. Please refer to this number on future submissions. Application documents received are as follows:

Attachment 1: Type 'B' Water Licence Renewal Application Project Description

Attachment 2: NWB Completed Application for Water Licence Renewal

Appendix A: Executive Summary in English, Inuktitut and French

Appendix B: Nunavut Planning Commission Conformity Determination

Appendix C: Corporation Profile Report

Appendix D: Compliance Review for Type 'B' Water Licence 2BE-MRY1421

Appendix E: Confirmation of Reclamation Security

Attachment 3: Exploration Spill Contingency Plan (BAF-PH1-830-P16-0037)

Attachment 4: Exploration Closure and Reclamation Plan (BAF-PH1-830-P16-0038)

Please be advised that under the Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement) Article 11, Section 11.5.9 and s. 76 (1) of *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act* (NuPPAA), the proponent of a project governed by NuPPAA is also required to submit a project proposal document directly to the Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC or Commission) for the NPC's determination regarding the applicable land use planning requirements and/or directions regarding whether the project is subject to screening by the Nunavut Impact Review Board. In particular, please note that as established under Articles 11, 12 and 13 of the Nunavut Agreement, NuPPAA and Part 3 of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act*, until the project has completed the applicable land use planning and assessment process required by the NPC and the NIRB, the NWB cannot issue a water licence/approval.



The NWB confirms receipt of NPC conformity under NuPPAA on January 13, 2021 and NIRB determination through NPC under NuPPAA on January 13, 2021. This application is now ready for review and comments. Deadline for submissions is March 1, 2021.

Please call Robin Ikkutisluk at (867) 360-6338 or email to <u>licensing@nwb-oen.ca</u> if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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