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10th April, 2003

Mr. Philippe di Pizzo Executive Director Nunavut Water Board P.O. Box 119 Gjoa Haven, NU X0E 1J0

Dear Mr. di Pizzo:

Please accept the enclosed Nunavut Water Board (NWB) Water License Application form and a cheque for the amount of \$30.00 for a new water license for the diamond exploration program on the Melville Peninsula, on behalf of Northern Empire Minerals Ltd. This application is for water use for land based mineral exploration and diamond drilling. I am expecting to receive the summary translated into Inuktutuk within the next two weeks, at which point I will send it to you.

Please feel free to contact myself or Dean Besserer at the above number if you have any comments or questions or request further information.

Sincerely,

Hannah Kim

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