

Date: May 28, 2020

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RE: Renewal and Amendment Request for Nunavut Water Board Licence No. 2BE-STO1520

Dear Mr. Dwyer,

Please accept this application for a renewal and amendment to the approved Nunavut Water Board Licence No. 2BE-STO1520. Aston Bay Holdings Ltd. ("Aston Bay") have contracted APEX Geoscience Ltd. to act on their behalf regarding the Aston Bay Property (also known as the "Storm Property"). Provisions in the existing licence address water use for an exploration camp and diamond drilling activities within approved areas, held by Aston Bay.

The amendment to Water Licence 2BE-STO1520 is requesting an increase in the water allowance, from 82 m³/day (2 m³/day for camp and 80 m³/day for drilling) to 299 m³/day (10 m³/day for camp and 289 m³/day for drilling). In addition, Aston Bay is applying to increase the drilling area to include the entire currently permitted Project Extent, but will ensure that all ground disturbance activities, water use and waste disposal will only occur over lands that have an active mineral tenure held by Aston Bay. No exploration activities, drilling, water use, or waste disposal will be undertaken on Inuit Owned Lands, without a licence granted by the Qikiqtani Inuit Association. Figure 1 Project Extent and Drilling Area Map shows the currently permitted drilling and Project Extent with respect to the Property boundary.

The renewal requests a 10-year extension on the existing licence.

The proposed changes will not affect the type of water used, quality of water, or environmental considerations.

Please contact Christopher Livingstone, Project Supervisor/Geologist at 778-847-7450 for credit card payment of the requisite Application Fee, totaling \$30.00. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions, concerns or for additional information.

Sincerely,



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