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Dear Mr. Gavin:


Subject: Metal Mining Effluent Regulations – Evaluation of 3rd Environmental Effects Monitoring (EEM) Study Design, Giant Mine, NWT

This letter is to advise you that the 3rd EEM Study Design for Giant Mine has been evaluated and meets the requirements specified in Schedule 5 of the Metal Mining Effluent Regulations for environmental effects monitoring studies. The evaluation of this proposed study is based on the Technical Advisory Panel's (TAP) review of the Indian and Northern Affairs Study Design entitled, 'Giant Mine Phase 3 Environmental Effects Monitoring Study Design', received December 17, 2009, the addendum to the 3rd Study Design, received June 11, 2010 (electronic) and discussions during the INAC Giant Mine – TAP meeting held June 23, 2010.

It is my understanding that the facility will remain in contact with the TAP during field work, and that the TAP will be consulted on field decisions such as sentinel species selection, sample sizes, and study areas.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the EEM Coordinator for your facility, Shelly Boss (Email: Shelly.Boss@ec.gc.ca, Tel: 780-951-8754, Fax: 780-495-2758).

Yours sincerely,


for Cheryl Baraniecki
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