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Mr. Willard Hagen
Interim Chair
Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board
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Dear Mr. Hagen:

On behalf of the Government of Canada and the Government of the Northwest Territories, we are pleased to submit this application in support of a Type "A" Water License to cover the remediation of Giant Mine and ongoing maintenance and monitoring of the site. The Water License application is accompanied by two annex reports as follows:

1. Remediation Plan and Supporting Documents; and
2. The report of the Independent Peer Review Panel on their review of the Remediation Plan and Supporting Documents

The Remediation plan was developed after extensive studies to determine the environmental condition of this abandoned mine site and with considerable public input from workshops, information sessions, site tours, and regular meetings with the Giant Mine Community Alliance. The Government of Canada and the Government of the Northwest Territories are committed to working together on the remediation of Giant Mine, and to commencing the remediation of this site as soon as possible to protect the public and the environment.

Should you require any additional information or have any questions, please contact Bill Mitchell, Manager of the Joint Giant Mine Remediation Project Office at (867) 669-2434.

Sincerely,

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R.P. Bailey
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