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STAFF REPORT

Company: New Discovery Mines Ltd.	
Location: Mon Gold Mine	Application: MV2013C0021
Date Prepared: March 5, 2014	Meeting Date: March 7, 2014
Subject: Request to invoke Paragraph 22(2)(b) of the MVLUR	

1. Purpose/Report Summary

The purpose of this report is to request that the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB/the Board) consider that further studies or investigations be made for Land Use Permit (LUP) MV2013C0021, as submitted by New Discovery Mines Ltd. (NDM) for the Mon Gold Mine, under paragraph 22(2)(b) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations (MVLUR). This LUP application was submitted concurrently with an application for a Type B Water Licence (MV2014L2-0002).

2. Background

- November 18, 2013: Original Application received.
- November 26, 2013: Board Staff sent an Incomplete Application letter (#1), and requested additional information.
- November 28, 2013: Board Staff received additional information.
- December 16, 2013: Board Staff sent an Incomplete Application letter (#2) and requested additional information.
- December 17, 2013: Board Staff received additional information.
- December 24, 2013: Board Staff sent an Incomplete Application letter (#3) and requested additional information.
- January 7, 2014: Board Staff received additional information.
- February 4, 2014: Board Staff sent an Incomplete Application letter (#4) and requested additional information.
- February 28, 2014: Application deemed complete, sent out for review.
- March 4, 2013: Board Staff request for security estimate.
- March 4, 2014: Response received from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC).
- March 20, 2014: Reviewer comments due.
- March 27, 2014: Proponent responses due.
- April 10, 2014: 42-day deadline.

3. Discussion

This LUP application was distributed for review. Board Staff subsequently asked AANDC for a security estimate. On March 4, 2014 AANDC requested NDM undertake and provide an initial reclamation cost estimate, using the RECLAIM model (version 6.12) for review by all interested parties. AANDC committed to review the estimate and respond to the Board.

4. Comments

N/A

5. Review Comments

N/A

6. Security

N/A

7. Conclusion

N/A

8. Recommendations

Board Staff recommends that the Board determine, pursuant to paragraph 22(2)(b) of the *Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations*, further study is needed on this LUP application. The rationale for invoking section 22(2)(b) is that the Board requires further information from NDM and reviewers in order to set an amount of reclamation security in the LUP.

9. Attachments

- Draft 22(2)b Letter
- AANDC response to request for security estimate

Respectfully submitted,



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