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File: MV2015L2-0003

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Dear Ms. Flemming:

**Preliminary Screening Exemption – Confirmation**  
**North American Tungsten Corporation Ltd. – Cantung Mine Site**

The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB or the Board) met on July 16, 2015 and has determined this Application is exempt from Part 5 of the MVRMA for two reasons.

One is that MV2015L2-0003 is a renewal of MV2002L2-0019 which in turn is a renewal of N3L2-0004, which was issued in 1995 and was a renewal of N3L3-0004, which was originally issued in 1975. Section 157.1 of the MVRMA states that:

“Part 5 does not apply in respect of any licence, permit, or other authorization related to an undertaking that is the subject of a licence or permit issued before June 22, 1984, except a licence, permit, or other authorization for an abandonment, decommissioning, or other significant alteration of the project.”

Secondly, on July 31, 2014, the Board decided that NATCL’s dry stack tailings Amendment Application was not exempt from screening under Section 157.1 because it was a significant alteration of the project, and performed a screening of that application. Schedule 1, section 2 of the Exemption List Regulations states that:

“A development, or a part thereof, for which renewal of a permit, licence, or authorization is requested that  
(a) has not been modified; and  
(b) has fulfilled the requirements of the environmental assessment process established by the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act...*”

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Julian Morse at (867) 766-7453 or email [jmorse@mvlwb.com](mailto:jmorse@mvlwb.com).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Willard Hagen".

Willard Hagen  
MVLWB Chair

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