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Attention: Mr. Julian Morse, Regulatory Officer

## Re: Water License MV2002L2-0019 – 2015 Annual Water License Report Resubmission

As per the request letter dated September 8, 2016, North American Tungsten Corporation Ltd. (NATCL) is submitting an addendum to the 2015 Annual Water License Report to integrate the following information requests received from the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board ('MVLWB' or 'Board').

1. Clarification on the implementation schedule of recommendations from the Tailings Storage Facilities annual inspection should be provided (Part B, item 2(o))

NATCL has provided an addendum for section 5.2.1 - Tailings Storage Facilities Inspection to address the recommendations made within the inspection report (Attachment 1). This section provides a description how each recommendation has been addressed or will be addressed during the 2015/2016 construction seasons.

2. A summary of work that has been completed on the ecological and geochemical aspects of the risk assessment for the Flat River tailings should be provided (Part B, Items 1(q) and (r))

NATCL provided a summary of work in the original submission under section 8 - Work Conducted Under Management Plans. A brief description of work relating to the Flat River tailings risk assessments was provided in Table 16 (Attachment 2, for reference) and is summarized below.

The Geochemical Risk Assessment Report and Geochemical Load Balance Model were submitted to the MVLWB on 30 May and 31 March 2014, respectively, and the Board acknowledged receipt of both documents in December 2014. Each report includes an executive summary and can be found on the MVLWB public registry.

http://www.mvlwb.ca/Boards/mv/Registry/2002/MV2002L2-0019/MV2002L2-0019%20-%20NATCL%20-%20Geochemical%20Risk%20Assessment%20Report%20submission%20-%20May30-14.pdf

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http://www.mvlwb.ca/Boards/mv/Registry/2002/MV2002L2-0019/MV2002L2-0019%20-%20NATCL%20-%20Geochemical%20Load%20Balance%20Submission%20-%20Mar31-14.pdf

- The Information Gap Analysis Report was conducted in 2015 and submitted to the Board in June 2015. This report includes an executive summary and can be found on the MVLWB public registry.

http://www.mvlwb.ca/Boards/mv/Registry/2002/MV2002L2-0019/MV2002L2-0019%20-NATCL%20-%20Geochemical%20Information%20Gap%20Analysis%20Jun%201%202015%20-%20Jun1-15.pdf

Work began on the Integrated Geochemical Load Balance and Risk Assessment Report in 2015, but
was put on hold soon after due to NATCL's financial struggles. Field activities such as surface and
seepage sampling along with flow characterization of these inputs were conducted in support of the
program. Monitoring of the kinetic field barrel program continued in 2015 and a progress report was
provided in Appendix Q of the annual report submission.

NATCL anticipates submission of the Integrated Geochemical Load Balance and Risk Assessment in Q1 of 2017, pending the Board's approval of NATCL's extension request.

NATCL feels that the information provided within this submission letter and the updated 2015 Annual Water License Report adequately addresses the board's request.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact myself at the Cantung Mine Site by telephone (604-759-0913 ext. 243), or by email at <a href="mailto:enviro@natcl.ca">enviro@natcl.ca</a>.

Yours truly,

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Attached: Addendum -TSF Inspection Summary and Updated Table 13 (Attachment 1) Table 16 – Work Conducted Under Management Plans (Attachment 2)