Ms. Colleen Prather  
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Dear Ms. Prather:

**Re: Further Study Requested**  
Snap Lake Mine – May 2019 Land Use Permit Amendment Application

The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB or the Board) met on June 6, 2019 to consider your Amendment Application for Land Use Permit (Permit) MV2017D0032. The Board determined that under paragraph 22(2)(b) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations, further study needs to be conducted. For example, some of the following topics require further investigation and/or studies:

1. Additional information respecting the proposed activities for the closure and post-closure phases of Snap Lake Mine, related to the Final Closure and Reclamation Plan and the associated Financial Security Analysis Report, as it relates to both the Permit MV2017D0032 and Water Licence MV2019L2-0004.

2. Changes to additional overlapping management plans (Engagement Plan, Spill Contingency Plan, Waste Management Plan, and North Pile Management Plan) that apply to both the Permit MV2017D0032 and Water Licence MV2019L2-0004.

The Board will use the ongoing Water Licence Renewal proceeding for MV2019L2-0004 to collect the information required to make a determination on Permit Amendment Application MV2017D0032.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Angela Love at 867-766-7456 or email angela.love@mvlwb.com.

Yours sincerely,

Mavis Cli-Michaud  
MVLWB, Chair

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