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Sent by email

Dear Andrew Williams,

Re: Pine Point Confirmation and Exploration Program – Notification of Procedural Pause – MV2020C0017 – Pine Point, NT

The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (Board) met on January 14, 2021 and considered the Application for Land Use Permit (Permit) MV2020C0017 for the Pine Point Mining Limited's Pine Point Confirmation and Exploration Program in accordance with the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA). The Board has decided to invoke paragraph 22(2)(b) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations.

The Board determined that there are clear linkages between this Application and the Application for Water Licence (Licence) MV2020L8-0012, including potential environmental impacts and mitigation measures. In order to develop Permit and Licence conditions that will effectively mitigate impacts of the proposed Project on the lands which will be affected, the Board:

- 1. Will be coordinating the proceedings for these Permit and Licence Applications;
- 2. Intends to conduct a public hearing to receive further evidence on these Applications;
- 3. Requires the following additional information to consider closure and reclamation activities and to determine a security deposit for the Project:
 - a) Exploration and geotechnical investigation by drilling and test pitting;
 - b) Quarrying for metallurgical test samples;
 - c) Construction, operation, and maintenance of trails and access roads;
 - d) Construction, operation, and maintenance of camp facilities;
 - e) Storage of fuel; and
 - f) Progressive closure and reclamation.
- 4. Changes to additional overlapping management plans including Engagement Plan, Spill Contingency Plan, Waste Management Plan that apply to both the Permit MV2020C0017 and Licence MV2020L8-0012.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact <u>Jacqueline Ho</u> at (867) 766 7455 or <u>Kim Murray</u> at (867) 766 7458.

Yours sincerely,

Mavis Cli-Michaud

Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board, Chair

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