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Mavis Cli-Michaud  
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**RE: Giant Mine Remediation Project – MV2007L8-0031 and MV2019X007– Removal of the Partial Minewater Raise Reclamation and Research Plan**

Dear Mavis Cli-Michaud,

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada, on behalf of the Giant Mine Remediation Project Team would like to adjust the scope of project activities under consideration within the Type A Water Licence application MV2007L8-0031 and Land Use Permit application MV2019X0007.

During the technical sessions held July 9-12, 2019, the Yellowknives Dene First Nation expressed concern with the partial controlled raise of the minewater elevation in underground mine workings described in Appendix 5.1B of the Closure and Reclamation Plan and the Preliminary Screening Document (Modification #18). The Project recognizes that additional engagement would be required to address these concerns. At this time, the project would like to remove this activity and the associated reclamation research plan from its application. It is hoped that removal of this activity will alleviate the concerns expressed by the Yellowknives Dene First Nation at the technical session.

The project continues to considers a minewater raise to be an important option for long-term maintenance of the site and will engage with parties in the future to evaluate this activity.

Should you require any further information or require clarification, please contact the undersigned by telephone at (867) 669-2823 or by email at [Natalie.Plato@Canada.ca](mailto:Natalie.Plato@Canada.ca).

Sincerely,

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