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Mason Mantla
Chair
Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board
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Dear Mason Mantla:

Thank you for the Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board's correspondence of November 30, 2022, received by the Department on December 2, 2022, conveying the Board's reasons for decision and recommendation that I approve Nighthawk Gold Corp.'s Application for a Type A water Licence (W2021L2-0005), to authorize the use of waters and deposit of waste associated with the Indin Lake Gold Project.

In accordance with subsection 72.18(3) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*, I am pleased to inform you that I have approved the Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board's issuance of the Type A Licence (W2021L2-0005), for a 15 year term, as recommended by the Board. The signed original is enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Vandal".

Hon. Daniel Vandal, P.C., M.P.

Encl.

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