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File: Environmental Agreement Annual Report

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Re: 2016 Environmental Agreement Annual Report

Dear Ms. Malley,

Snap Lake Environmental Monitoring Agency (SLEMA) has reviewed the 2016 Environmental Agreement Annual Report (EAAR 2016, old format and new format), and would like to provide the following comments.

In general, the new format addresses the required content, as specified in the Environmental Agreement, even though it is short and less-detailed, and it is acceptable. The new format could be utilized in future years until the mine status changes, when the requirement of EAAR reporting will be further reviewed.

The new format shares the same plain language synopsis as the old format. However, the plain language summary appears not matched with the Results for 2016 in Section 6. The Environment. Improvement is requested in future submissions.

Section 6.2 is titled Water, but the content only covers the Acid Rock Drainage and Hydrology. Summary information on SNP, reference lakes and downstream water courses is requested. If water quality trends within the Snap Lake and downstream water courses could be presented in figure, it would be appreciated.



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Summary of SNP compliance (SNP 02-17B), spills at the mine site should be provided either in Section 8. Regulatory Inspection Compliance or in a separate section.

In page 21, Environmental Agreement Report (EAR) referenced in the last paragraph and Table 2 might not be right.

In summary, the EAAR 2016 is found to be satisfactory.

If you have any questions whatsoever please feel free to contact the undersigned at 867-765-0961 / exec@slema.ca.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Alex Power
Chairperson