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Attention: Alan Ehrlich, Senior Environmental Assessment Officer

Re: Water Licence N1L2-0040, Miramar Con Mine Ltd.
Application for Water Licence Extension, City of YK Referral to EA under MVRMA

Dear M. Ehrlich,

In response to your letter dated April 27<sup>th</sup>, Environment Canada (EC) has considered the applicability of the *Mackenzie Valley Resources Management Act* s. 157.1 to this development. Based on this review, it is the opinion of EC that the interpretation of this Section be addressed by the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board.

In closing, if you have any questions or concerns, I can be contacted at (867) 669-4724 or via e-mail at lisa.lowman@ec.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

Lisa Lowman,

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