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Mr. Richard Weishaupt
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Dear Mr. Weishaupt:

## Board Decision – Geochemical Characterization and Metal Leaching Management Plan

The Wek'eezhii Land and Water Board (the Board) met on March 30, 2007 to deliberate on the November 2006 Geochemical Characterization and Metal Leaching Management Plan (GCMLP) required under part F, item 2 of Water Licence MV2003L2-0013. The Board hereby approves this plan with the following conditions that are to be addressed through the submission of an updated GCMLP by August 31, 2007:

- geological maps be included in the next version of the GCMPL (Tracking Number 33 in the comment summary table)
- 2. chloride be included in summary tables for fine processed kimberlite water chemistry (Tracking Number 29 in the comment summary table)
- 3. the inconsistency in the reported objective of waste rock management be rectified in the next version of the GCMLP (Tracking Number 17 in the comment summary table)

The Board also notes that BHPB agreed with Environment Canada that the plotting of trend lines for parameters of concern in seeps would be helpful (Tracking Number 30 in the comment summary table). The Board expects that future waste rock seepage and survey reports will contain this information.

If you have any questions, contact Sarah Baines at (867) 766-7457 or email sbaines@mvlwb.com.

Yours sincerely.

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