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Subject: True North Mine partial release of financial assurance Reclamation Plan Approval  
F20127522 and Millsite Lease ADL 416509

Dear Ms. Kleven:

On December 10, 2019 the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mining, Land & Water (DMLW) received your application, dated November 26, 2019, requesting a partial financial assurance release for the True North Mine.

The review of your application and the cited July 2, 2019 inspection report has been completed. In addition, DMLW consulted with the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation regarding Lower Spruce Creek monitoring. The remaining items of the signage and the trails survey have been discussed internally within DMLW.

DMLW concurs with FGMI that the majority of the reclamation earthwork appears to be successful with the stabilization of structures, including the Davidson Ditch erosion feature, and recolonization of plant species.

FGMI has described the remaining items for reclamation and accounted for their costs.

DMLW appreciates FGMI's cooperation in establishing this revision and concurs with the new financial assurance amount of \$20,000 for the remaining obligations within the boundaries of Millsite Lease ADL 416509. The Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit numbered S18572/260177 Amendment No. 10 may be reduced by \$605,799 for the remaining obligation costs for the True North Mine. This reduction will change the True North Mine financial assurance amount from \$625,799 to \$20,000.

Sincerely,



Steve Buckley  
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