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Giant Mine Remediation Project EA (EA 0808-001)  
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Dear Chief Sangris,

**Re: YKDFN request for scope clarification, Giant Mine EA**

In response to your letter of September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011, the Review Board wishes to make the following clarifications regarding the scope of the environmental assessment for the Giant Mine Remediation Project.

Regarding the potential disturbance of sediments by the proposed diffuser and piping, although the widespread cleanup of all contaminated sediments in Back Bay is beyond the scope of the assessment, the effects of the remediation project are included. This includes any effect of the proposed diffuser and piping on sediment.

Regarding the section of shoreline and marina specified in your letter, these areas are within the geographic scope of the assessment, as are all direct effects of the remediation project regardless of their location relative to the water line. However, the YKDFN information requests regarding the areas above seek information regarding the potential effects on theoretical future developments that have not been proposed. In the opinion of the Review Board, with respect to the above, the forecasting of possible impacts on theoretical future developments in the areas of the marina and shoreline areas is beyond the scope of the assessment.

Sincerely,



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