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Dear Dr. Schryer,

Re: NICO Project processing plant location

Part of the scoping stage of the current environmental assessment of Fortune Minerals Ltd.'s proposed NICO Project requires the Review Board to identify the scope of the assessment. This is necessary to decide which issues should be included in the *Terms of Reference*.

In order for the Review Board to identify the scope of the assessment, it must first determine the scope of the development. In your May 13th 2009 response to the Review Board's request for clarification, Fortune states that no decision has yet been reached regarding whether processing would primarily occur on site or at a southern facility. The location of processing is an important aspect of the NICO Project, as it is relevant to understanding many aspects of the development, such as:

- amounts of concentrate transported off-site;
- amount and types of chemicals shipped to the site;
- on-site energy demands, hydrocarbon containment and greenhouse gas emissions;
- water management; and,
- types and numbers of jobs.

We require Fortune Minerals Ltd. to identify the proposed location of the processing plant. Only after receiving this will the Review Board be able to conclude the scoping stage of the environmental assessment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alan Ehrlich', written over a blue diagonal line.

Alan Ehrlich
Senior Environmental Assessment Officer

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