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Our file: EA1011-001

Via email

David Swisher
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Dear Mr. Swisher:

Re: EA1011-001: Thor Lake Rare Earth Element Project – Technical Session Scheduling for the Thor Lake Project Environmental Assessment

The Review Board has reviewed Avalon's May 18th submission regarding proposed site-specific water quality objectives, and has comprehensively considered all prior evidence on the public registry for this environmental assessment. Based on this information the Review Board is scheduling a technical meeting for Avalon's Thor Lake Project for August 14th through August 17th. The Review Board will release an agenda with further details at a later date.

To facilitate the conduct of an efficient and effective technical session, the Review Board requires Avalon to submit by July 15th a summary (approximately ten pages in length) outlining changes to the project description since the submission of the Developer's Assessment Report, together with any corresponding changes in Avalon's impact predictions.

Sincerely,

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