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Reg. # 1611

Mr. Todd Burlingame
Executive Vice President Environment and Aboriginal Affairs
Kami Mine Limited Partnership
10 Fort William Place
8th Floor, Baine Johnston Centre
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Dear Mr. Burlingame:

RE: Kami Iron Ore Environmental Assessment

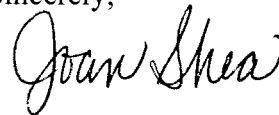
I am pleased to inform you that under the authority of Section 67 of the Environmental Protection Act SNL 2002, cE-14.2, the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council has released the Kami Iron Ore Project from further environmental assessment, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a) Kami Mine Limited Partnership shall adhere to all mitigation, monitoring and commitments stated in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) submitted October 1, 2012 and the additional Amendments submitted February 15, 2013 and June 27, 2013 and any other supporting documentation derived through the environmental assessment process;
- b) Kami Mine Limited Partnership shall prepare a general Environmental Protection Plan for all applicable construction and operation activities and submit the Environmental Protection Plan to the Minister of Environment and Conservation, and receive the minister's approval for the Environmental Protection Plan, prior to the start of construction;
- c) Kami Mine Limited Partnership shall prepare an Environmental Protection Plan for the following Project Valued Ecosystem Components and submit the Environmental Protection Plan to the Minister of Environment and Conservation, and receive the Minister's approval for the Plan, prior to the start of construction. The Environmental Protection Plan will be developed in order to minimize disturbance and mitigate potential effects on Valued Ecosystem Components during project construction and operation. The Environmental Protection Plan will cover the following Valued Ecosystem Components:
 - Wetlands
 - avifauna (including listed species that occur within western Labrador)
 - other wildlife

- species of conservation concern (including Lac Joseph Caribou, George River Caribou, Bats and rare and uncommon plants)
- d) Kami Mine Limited Partnership shall prepare Environmental Effects Monitoring Plans for the following Valued Ecosystem Components, in consultation with the Wildlife Division and submit them to the Minister of Environment and Conservation, and receive the minister's approval for the Environmental Effects Monitoring Plans, prior to the start of construction. The Environmental Effects Monitoring Plans will be developed to monitor effects as a result of the project and to ensure that any changes to existing baseline as a result of project effects are documented and mitigated against.
- wetlands
 - avifauna (including listed species that occur within western Labrador)
 - other wildlife
 - species of Conservation Concern (including Lac Joseph Caribou, George River Caribou, Bats and rare and uncommon plants)
- e) Kami Mine Limited Partnership shall prepare a Benefits Plan in consultation with the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Finance and submit it to the Minister of Natural Resources and the Minister of Finance, and receive the approval of both ministers prior to construction; and
- f) Kami Mine Limited Partnership shall prepare a Real-Time Monitoring Network Agreement in consultation with the Water Resources Management Division and submit the Real-Time Monitoring Network Agreement to the Minister of Environment and Conservation, and receive the minister's approval for the Real-Time Monitoring Network Agreement prior to the start of construction.

If you require further assistance or direction, please contact the Director of the Environmental Assessment Division, Bas Cleary at 729-0673 or the provincial Co-chair of the EAC, Brent Keeping at 729-4223 or email bkeeping@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,



JOAN SHEA, MHA
St. George's - Stephenville East
Minister