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Reg No. 1931

Mr. Larry Lehtinen
Chief Executive Officer
Tacora Resources Inc.
102 NE Third Street, Suite 120
Grand Rapids, MN, USA
55744

Dear Mr. Lehtinen:

Re: Wabush Scully Mine Reactivation

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by the Newfoundland and Labrador *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that this undertaking is released from further environmental assessment subject to the following conditions:

- A Benefits Plan must be submitted to and approved by the Minister of Natural Resources prior to project start up.
- A Gender Equity and Diversity Plan must be submitted to and approved by the Minister Responsible for the Status of Women and the Minister of Natural Resources prior to project start up.
- An Environmental Protection Plan must be submitted to and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment.

Under the Mining Act, you must submit a Development Plan, a Rehabilitation and Closure Plan, and, obtain a Mill Licence. All of the above is required prior to the restart of the concentrator and mining.

Please be advised, a Water Use Licence is required from the Water Resources Management Division. Also, you must obtain a permit for any development within the Wahnahnish Lake Protected Water Supply Area. Contact Dr. Ali Khan, Manager, at (709)729-2295 or akhan@gov.nl.ca. A Certificate of Approval is required from the Pollution Prevention Division. Contact Mr. Dexter Pittman, Manager, at (709)729-6771 or dpittman@gov.nl.ca. Under the Greenhouse Gas Act, you must submit fuel consumption and associated greenhouse gas emissions to the Climate Change Branch. Contact Ms. Jennifer Forristall-Prim, Manager, at (709)729-1485 or jenniferfprim@gov.nl.ca. Also, a permit is required from the Town of Wabush.

The Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment supports Environment and

Climate Change Canada's recommendation that in order to avoid nest destruction and to accommodate the breeding season of migratory songbirds and waterfowl, operations should consider nesting locations between April 15th and August 15th in this region. However, as some species protected under the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (MBCA) do nest outside of this time period, it is the responsibility of the proponent to ensure that project activities are in compliance with the MBCA and associated regulations. For further information, please contact Mr. Joshua Mailhiot, Canadian Wildlife Service, at (709)772-2154 or Joshua.Mailhiot@canada.ca

In addition to the requirements noted above, the project is still subject to other legislative requirements. A summary of the comments received from government agencies during the review is attached to provide an indication of likely applicable permits, approvals, and legislative requirements. You may also refer to the BizPaL website at www.bizpal.ca. BizPaL is an online tool that generates a list of permits, licences and authorizations that may be required when starting or expanding a business. You are also encouraged to contact Canada Business Newfoundland and Labrador (CBNL) for any additional information you may need in dealing with various levels of government. CBNL serves as a first point of access to federal and provincial government services, programs and regulatory requirements for business. CBNL can be reached by telephone at 1-888-576-4444 or online at www.canadabusiness.gc.ca.

Please note that you must comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all necessary permits and approvals. You are required to inform this Department of any proposed significant changes to the undertaking.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director, at (709)729-0673 or susansquires@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,



EDDIE JOYCE, MHA
District of Humber – Bay of Islands
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment

Attachment

cc: Hon. Siobhan Coady, Minister
Natural Resources

Graham Letto, MHA
District of Labrador West

Town of Wabush

Town of Labrador City