



Ministry of
Energy and Mines

Thursday, August 21, 2014

Dale Reimer, Mine Manager
Mount Polley Mining Corp. – Imperial Metals
Likely, BC

Dear Mr. Reimer:

Re: Tailings Dam Breach

The following order is issued to protect a scene for the purpose of incident investigation.

The areas downstream on both sides of the tailings dam breach have been flagged off and signed by this inspector to order “Do not Enter, Do not disturb” for reasons of protecting the scene through the investigation. The upstream side of the breach is unable to be flagged but still needs to be protected from disturbance.

It has been discussed and observed that the current engineered design of the coffer dam is within close proximity of the upstream toe of the remaining tailings pond dike; in particular, the breached areas of the dam which need to be isolated throughout the investigative process.

As per our discussion today, the area both upstream and downstream of both sides of the breach at the Mount Polley Mines TSF shall not be disturbed during the investigative process. The mine manager shall ensure the scene is protected by including in the design, a set-back distance that shall be maintained throughout construction to preserve the original dike in its found condition.

The mine manager is asked to extend the flagging to expand the protected area as soon as the Polley Lake - discharge line is removed.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Rothman", written over a horizontal line.

Stephen Rothman
Sr. Inspector of Mines, P Eng.

cc: Al Hoffman, Chief Inspector of Mines
George Warnoch, Senior Geotechnical Inspector