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Re: Endako Mine Tailings Storage Facility Assessment – Response to Memorandum issued by MEM to Thompson Creek Metals Company on February 3, 2015

Dear Mr. Hoffman,

Further to your Memorandum dated February 3, 2015 and under cover of this letter, please find attached the assessment of our tailings storage facilities at Endako Mine. The assessment report was prepared by our Engineer of Record, Manual Monroy and Paul Bedell of Golder Associates Ltd. As outlined in the assessment report, no immediate safety or stability concerns were noted for Endako Mine tailings storage facilities or dam structures. Endako Mine is focused on meeting the highest standards of safety for our tailings facilities. We follow industry best practices, including all of the applicable guidance provided by the Canadian Dam Association and the Mining Association of Canada.

In response to the additional Panel Recommendations:

- Is your mine implementing the “Toward Sustainable Mining” initiative of the Mining Association of Canada? Are there any plans to do so?

Response: Yes, Thompson Creek is in the process of implementing the TSM initiative for tailings management. Initial efforts have been focused on completing a gap analysis and developing action plans with respect to the specific indicators of the Tailings Management Protocol. In future we will consider other aspects of the TSM initiative.

- Does your mine have an Independent Tailings Dam Review Board (ITRB) in place? Is one planned?

Response: Endako Mines does not have an ITRB. However, in addition to our Engineer of Record, the Mine has engaged a third party geotechnical consultant to provide an ongoing independent expert review and assessment of its tailings storage facility design and operating practices. Additionally, Thompson Creek is reviewing the concept of an ITRB and how it would complement the existing DSI and DSR systems currently in place at its Mines.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions regarding the operation, maintenance and monitoring of our tailings facilities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Gibbs', is written over a white rectangular area.

Chris Gibbs
Vice President – General Manager