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Subject: FW: Follow-up Action Items from 04/16/13 Co-leads Call to Consider USEPA/1854 Treaty Authority Comments on GoldSim Model

Tina, Dave, and Fred, FYI on Mike Sedlacek's follow-up from EPA on the draft list of Action Items coming out of the 04/16/13 GoldSim call.

Note:

- Art Lubin indicates the control volume documentation addresses his issues.
- The sensitivity analysis documentation only requires the new GW data at the Mine Site to be provided to EPA; there was no commitment to use the data. That said, EPA recommends that it indeed be used.

I'll review the total set of materials and lay out the packaging from here. Thanks. Bill.

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Subject: RE: Follow-up Action Items from 04/16/13 Co-leads Call to Consider USEPA/1854 Treaty Authority Comments on GoldSim Model

Mike, thanks to you and your team for the feedback.

I will incorporate this information into the proposed action items for the record. The final document will serve as guidance for the next steps with the GoldSim model.

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Subject: RE: Follow-up Action Items from 04/16/13 Co-leads Call to Consider USEPA/1854 Treaty Authority Comments on GoldSim Model

Bill,

For number 3, "Item 1a. Arthur Lubin/USEPA to review the control volume analysis, which is Task II QA/QC documentation that is available for both the Mine and Plant Site GoldSim models", Art said the control volume analysis is acceptable.

For number 10, "Item 5. Co-leads/PolyMet to go retrieve information on the data collection agreement and put in the response. Review agency commitments for incorporation of new data as it becomes available", our letter titled *NorthMet Supplemental Draft EIS: Groundwater sampling at the proposed mine site dated 9/4/2012*, requests sampling results be sent to us as new ones become available. The letter does not specifically ask for new data to be folded into the model, however, we recommend doing so.

Sincerely,

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Mike, thanks for convening your agencies' GoldSim model review team for this past Tuesday's (04/16) conference call to discuss the Co-lead Agencies' preliminary responses to the comments submitted by USEPA on PolyMet's GoldSim model.

Please recall that MDNR committed to compile a draft list of action items coming out of the meeting. Attached please find that list for your review, clarifications, or any proposed additions. It reflects my notes and review by the ERM and PolyMet/Barr teams. I have provided a MS Word version of the document to facilitate any proposed changes.

The Co-lead Agencies also invite any clarifications that other agencies participating on the call wish to provide.

Once finalized, the Co-leads in cooperation with PolyMet and ERM, will continue to work with USEPA to develop information to support your agencies' understanding of the model.

To keep things moving, I would appreciate any comments that you may have to be submitted by end-of-business on Tuesday, April 23.

In the meantime, the Co-lead Agencies will instruct the PolyMet/Barr team to initiate the previously agreed-upon elements of the mine site sensitivity analysis. We will engage your agency again once the documentation is available.

Thanks for your participation in the ongoing environmental review. Bill J. for the Co-lead Agencies' Project Managers (Hingsberger; Hale; Frank; Johnson; Fay)

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