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April 11, 2018

Janet Binns Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety 1313 Sherman St., Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203-2273

Re: Minrec, Inc., North Thompson Creek Mines First Quarter and Yearly Pond Inspection Reports Permit C-1981-025

Dear Ms. Binns:

Enclosed please find the referenced reports. Discharge monitoring reports are sent to you under separate cover.

Sincerely,

J. E. Stover

J. E. Stover, P.E. Consulting Engineer

Enclosures

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## MINREC, INC. NORTH THOMPSON CREEK MINES 2018 IMPOUNDMENT YEARLY INSPECTION

In accordance with Rule 4.05.9(14), all impoundments shall be inspected at least yearly to determine if the impoundment has been maintained as designed, and in accordance with the approved plan and the applicable regulations. This yearly inspection is for the impoundments located at the North Thompson Creek Mines.

On March 30, 2018, I performed the required yearly inspections. I, J. E. Stover, have a wide variety of experience in the design and construction of earth fill embankments. Nothing was observed during the inspection that would indicate the ponds have a potential for failure. There was no appearance of erosion, instability, structural weakness or other hazardous conditions. There are no required monitoring procedures or instrumentation other than quarterly and yearly inspections. There are no aspects which might affect stability and there is no required maintenance. The long pond and treatment ponds T-1 and T-2 were full as expected with approximate water level elevations of 7522, 7515 and 7511 respectively. T-2 was discharging to Pond 9 at approximately 5 to 10 gpm. Pond 9, ice and snow covered, was full and overflowing (less than 5 gpm) to a ditch that flows to the refuse pond. The water elevation in Pond 9 was approximately 7503. Water depth in treatment ponds T-1 and T-2 is approximately 4 to 5-feet. The refuse pond had ice and snow cover with a level of about 7420.

IMPOUNDMENT CAPACITIES - ACRE FEET					
	Water	Sediment	Total		
Long Pond	0.35	N/A	0.35		
T-1	0.29	N/A	0.29		
T-2	0.24	N/A	0.24		
Pond 9	0.53	0.42	0.95		
Refuse Pond	0.81	0.50	1.31		

The impoundments have the following capacities:

Notes:

1. Capacities are based latest digital topography.

To the best of my knowledge and belief the impoundments have been maintained as designed and in accordance with the approved plan and applicable regulations.

÷ 1 James E. Stover Date Colorado Professional Engineer Registration No. 19230

## QUARTERLY POND INSPECTION REPORT

Operator:	Minrec, Inc. C-1981-025 North Thompson Creek Mines		Quarter: Inspection Date:		First 2018 ate: 30-Mar-18	
Mine:						
Pond Identification	Long	T-1	T-2	P-9	Refuse Pond	
Type of Pond	Treatment	Treatment	Treatment	Sediment	Sediment	
Status During Inspection:						
Approximate Water Level	Full	Full	Full	7503	7420	
Sediment (% total storage)	N/A	N/A	N/A	10%	0%	
Outflow (gpm)	To T-1	To T-2	5 to 10 gpm	< 5 gpm	0	
Features	Problem	Problem	Problem	Problem	Problem	
	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No	
Erosional	N	57	N	A Free		
Rills & Gulleys	No	No	No	No	No	
Inadequate Vegetation Outlet Channel Erosion	No No	No No	No	No	No	
Burrows	No	No	No No	No No	No No	
Other	No	No	No	No	No	
Differential Settling Cracks or Slides Seepage	No No	No No	No No	No No	No No	
Seepage	No	No	No	No	No	
Other	No	No	No	No	No	
Appurtenant Structures						
Defective Spillways	No	No	No	No	No	
Dewatering Devices Clogged	No	No	No	No	No	
Faulty Gates, Etc.	No	No	No	No	No	
Other	No	No	No	No	No	
Additional Comments	Drawing D-2-5 shows the location of the long pond & ponds T-1, T-2 and P-9. Discharge from T-2 is being directed to Pond 9. Pond 9 Emenercy spillway has be redirected to the ditch to the refuse pond. Pond 9, Bottom Elev 7496. Invert of emergency spillway elev 7503 Refuse Pond, Bottom Elev 7418. Invert of emergency spillway elev 7425.7.					
Maintenance Required: Name of Inspector: Jim Stover	None			* ST	230 -11-18	
	J. E. Stover Colorado P. E. 19230 Date					