

Comité d'examen des répercussions sur l'environnement et le milieu social

#### MINUTES OF THE

### **377<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE**

(ADOPTED)

**DATE:** October 2, 2019

**PLACE:** Édifice Marie-Guyart

675, boul. René-Lévesque Est Québec (Québec) G1R 5V7

PRESENT: Luc Lainé, Chairperson

Daniel Berrouard, Québec

Robert Joly, Québec

John Paul Murdoch, CNG (telephone)

Brian Craik, CNG (telephone)

Tina Petawabano, Cree Nation Government Director of

Federal and Indigenous Relations

Vanessa Chalifour, Executive Secretary

### 1) Call to order and adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented.

### 2) Adoption of the minutes of the 376th meeting

The minutes of the 376<sup>th</sup> meeting were adopted as presented.

## Action: Translate and file the 376th meeting minutes

### 3) Correspondence and follow-up action

Correspondence and follow-up action from August 28 to October 1, 2019 are presented in Appendix A.

# 4) Nibiischii national park project, Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs Ref. No.: 3214-18-003

- **a.** Change to park boundaries, zoning and development concept (amendment to CA)
  - > For recommendation

WHEREAS on September 9, 2019, COMEX received, for its recommendation, the application to amend the certificate of authorization to change the boundaries, zoning and development concept of the proposed Nibiischii national park;

WHEREAS the COMEX members reviewed the document submitted by the proponent and would like additional information on various aspects of the project that they believe need to be clarified;

**#2019-1002-01:** write to the Provincial Administrator to inform him that the COMEX members reviewed the document submitted by the proponent and would like additional information on various aspects of the project that they believe need to be clarified.

Action: Write to the Provincial Administrator Send questions and comments

# 5) 161-kV BlackRock Metals Mining Property Electricity Service, Hydro-Québec Ref. No.: 3214-09-027

**a.** Response to condition 3

> For information

WHEREAS on May 13, 2019, COMEX received, for information, the proponent's response to condition 3 of the certificate of authorization issued on April 11, 2014 for the project to build a 161-kV power line for BlackRock Metals mining property facilities;

WHEREAS the COMEX members reviewed the document submitted by the proponent and have no comments to make;

**#2019-1002-02:** write to the Provincial Administrator to inform him that the COMEX members reviewed the document submitted by the proponent and have no comments to make.

Action: Write to the Provincial Administrator

### 6) Other business

a. Project to connect the Rose Lithium-Tantalum Mine and relocate a segment of the 315-kV line: Update on the project analysis

A segment of the power line to connect the Rose Lithium-Tantalum Mine needs to be relocated. The MELCC has analyzed the proposed line, but it would be advisable to wait until the analysis of the mining project is further along before making a recommendation on the power line relocation.

b. Whabouchi and Renard mining projects: Presentation on the wetland research projects

The meeting to present the wetland research projects for the Whabouchi and Renard mining projects will take place on October 30, 2019, in Longueuil.

## 7) Next meetings

- a. October 31, 2019, Montréal (COMEX office)
- **b.** December 4, 2019, Québec
- c. January 15, 2020, Montréal

# Appendix A Correspondence and follow-up: August 28 to October 1, 2019

Project	From	То	Document	Date	Action - Comments
Eleonore Mine Project, Opinaca Mines Ltd. Ref. No.: 3214-14-042	Luc Lainé COMEX	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Application to amend the certificate of authorization Overall follow-up program and condition 6.1 COMEX recommendation	Sent: September 3, 2019 Acknowledgement of receipt: September 6, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	France Trépanier Opinaca Mines Ltd.	Application to amend the certificate of authorization Overall follow-up program and condition 6.1	Sent: September 16, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 16, 2019	
Wood pellet production plant, Barrette-Chapais Ltée Ref. No.: 3214-23-005	Luc Lainé COMEX	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Application to amend the certificate of authorization Conditions 9 and 11 COMEX recommendation	Sent: September 3, 2019 Acknowledgement of receipt: September 4, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Benoit Barrette Barrette-Chapais Ltée	Amendment to the certificate of authorization Conditions 9 and 11	Sent: September 16, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 16, 2019	
Troilus Mine Project, Troilus Gold Corp. Ref. No.: 3214-14-025	Luc Lainé COMEX	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Annual report on post-closure environmental monitoring and inspection, 2018 Questions and comments	Sent: September 3, 2019 Acknowledgement of receipt: September 4, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Jacqueline Leroux Troilus Gold		Sent: September 9, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 9, 2019	
Renard Diamond Project, Ref. No.: 3214-14-041	Luc Lainé COMEX	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Application to amend the certificate of authorization Increase in ore extraction and processing rate Questions and comments	Sent: September 3, 2019 Acknowledgement of receipt: September 4, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Martin Boucher Stornoway Diamond (Canada) Inc.		Sent: September 6, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 6, 2019	

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Iron-vanadium mining project, BlackRock Metals Inc. Ref. No.: 3214-14-050	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Yves Desrosiers BlackRock Metals Inc.	Monitoring of conditions 2 and 2.1 of the amended certificate of authorization dated April 11, 2019	Sent: September 6, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 9, 2019	
	Yves Desrosiers BlackRock Metals Inc.	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Monitoring of condition 19 Answers to questions and comments	Sent: August 29, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: September 6, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 6, 2019	For approval
Whabouchi Mine Project, Nemaska Lithium Whabouchi Mine Inc. Ref. No.: 3214-14-052	Simon Thibault Nemaska Lithium Whabouchi Mine Inc.	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Application to amend the certificate of authorization Optimization of planned mining operations during the operation phase Answers to questions and comments	Sent: August 27, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: September 4, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 4, 2019	For recommendation
	Simon Thibault Nemaska Lithium Whabouchi Mine Inc.	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Monitoring of condition 17 (residual materials management)	Sent: September 12, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: September 19, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 19, 2019	For information
	Simon Thibault Nemaska Lithium Whabouchi Mine Inc.	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Monitoring of condition 18 (emergency measures plan)	Sent: August 15, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: September 19, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 19, 2019	For information
Project to mine and process 900 000 tonnes of gold ore from the Bachelor Lake underground mine, Metanor Resources Inc. Ref. No.: 3214-14-027	Pascal Hamelin Metanor Resources Inc.	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Annual Report 2018	Sent: June 11, 2019	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: September 9, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 9, 2019	For information

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Project	From	То	Document	Date	Action - Comments			
Nibiischii national park project, Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs Ref. No.: 3214-15-003	Isabelle Tessier MFFP	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Application to amend the certificate of authorization – Application revised	Sent: September 3, 2019				
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: September 9, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 10, 2019	For recommendation			
	Isabelle Tessier MFFP	Vanessa Chalifour COMEX	Authorization of publication on COMEX's website	Sent: September 10, 2019				
Development of a new landfill in Whapmagoostui, Whapmagoostui First Nation Ref. No.: 3214-16-099	Isaac Voyageur Regional Administrator	Luc Lainé COMEX	Answers to questions and comments	Sent: September 11, 2019 Received by COMEX: September 11, 2019	For recommendation			
Cree-Québec Forestry Board Annual Report 2018-2019	Hervé Deschênes CQFB Chairman	Vanessa Chalifour COMEX	Cree-Québec Forestry Board Annual Report 2018-2019	Sent: September 25, 2019				