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DATE:	March 26, 2020
PLACE:	Conference call
PRESENT:	Luc Lainé, Chairperson Daniel Berrouard, Québec Robert Joly, Québec Brian Craik, CNG
ABSENT:	John Paul Murdoch, CNG Tina Petawabano, Cree Nation Government Director of Federal and Indigenous Relations Vanessa Chalifour, Executive Secretary

1) COVID-19

Despite the current situation with COVID-19, COMEX continues to hold meetings, but holds them via telephone.

Vanessa Chalifour informed the members that, for the time being, documents submitted to COMEX will be sent in electronic format only. Print copies of documents will be sent to the members when the situation returns to normal.

2) Call to order and adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented.

3) Adoption of the minutes of the 381st meeting

The minutes of the 381st meeting were adopted.

Action: Translate and file the 381st meeting minutes

4) Correspondence and follow-up action

Correspondence and follow-up action from February 19 to March 25, 2020 are presented in Appendix A.

5) Eleonore Mine Project, Opinaca Mines Ltd.

Ref. No.: 3214-14-042

- a. Application to amend the CA: Offsetting plan for wetlands and water and riparian environments (Condition 2.1)
 - For recommendation

WHEREAS on December 18, 2019, the Review Committee (COMEX) received, for its recommendation, an application to amend the global certificate of authorization in respect of the offsetting plan for wetlands and water and riparian environments for Opinaca Mines' Eleonore Mine Project;

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;

#2020-0326-01: *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 (questions and comments in the letter).*

Action: Write to the Provincial Administrator
Send questions and comments

6) Other business

a. Federal consultations on the Rose Lithium-Tantalum and James Bay Lithium mining projects

No new developments.

b. Status of the Rose Lithium-Tantalum mining project

The Rose Lithium-Tantalum mining project was discussed and it was decided that in light of the current COVID-19 circumstances, further discussion of this project will be postponed until COMEX's next meeting, scheduled for April 29, 2020.

c. Annual Report 2019-2020

Vanessa Chalifour will update the factual information contained in the annual report. Luc Lainé will write the message from the chairperson and Robert Joly offered to look after the new topics to be discussed in COMEX's annual report, namely: cumulative impacts, compensation for the loss of wetlands and water and riparian environments, and *La Grande Alliance*, an agreement signed between the Gouvernement du Québec and the Cree Nation Government.

d. Trip to James Bay – July 2020

Vanessa Chalifour informed the COMEX members that the planned trip to James Bay in the week of July 6, 2020 is still on. A positive response was received from the proponents contacted. Due to the current situation regarding COVID-19, organization of the trip is on hold for the moment. An update on the trip will be provided at the meeting on April 29.

7) Next meetings

a. April 29, 2020 – Québec

Owing to the COVID-19 situation, this meeting might be held via telephone or video conference. Vanessa Chalifour will let the members know as soon as possible.

b. June 4, 2020 – Montréal

c. Week of July 6, 2020 – James Bay

Appendix A Correspondence and follow-up: February 19 to March 25, 2020					
Project	From	To	Document	Date	Action - Comments
Project to dewater the J-4 and 87 pits of the old Troilus mine, Troilus Gold Corp. Ref. No.: 3214-14-025	Luc Lainé COMEX	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Environmental and social impact study	Sent: February 19, 2020 Acknowledgement of receipt: February 20, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Jacqueline Leroux Troilus Gold Corp.	Questions and comments	Sent: February 26, 2020 Received by COMEX: March 2, 2020	
Construction of forest roads “H, Section west” and “I”, Matériaux Blanchet	Michel Sigouin EACOM	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Application to amend the certificate of authorization	Sent: February 26, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX	Answers to questions and comments	Sent: March 5, 2020 Received by COMEX: March 9, 2020	<i>For recommendation</i>
Eastmain-1A/Rupert hydroelectric development project, Hydro-Québec Ref. No.: 3214-10-017	Pierre Vaillancourt Hydro-Québec	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Monitoring of juvenile sturgeon and other target species at KP 205 and KP 230 on Rupert River	Sent: February 20, 2020	
			Monitoring of shoreline and island dynamics in the estuary of the La Grande Rivière		
			Monitoring of use of lake sturgeon spawning grounds developed in Rupert forebay and river (2017)		
			Monitoring of the integrity and effectiveness of granular mats in the estuary of La Grande Rivière		
			Monitoring of ice cover in winter 2016-2017		
			Monitoring of the multi-species spawning ground at KP 170 on Rupert River (2018)		
			Monitoring of navigation conditions in the Rupert diversion bays		
			Monitoring of the multi-species spawning ground developed downstream of the Sarcelle powerhouse		
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX	Monitoring reports (February 2020)	Sent: March 12, 2020 Received by COMEX: March 17, 2020	<i>For information</i>

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Project	From	To	Document	Date	Action - Comments
Project to develop an iron deposit in the Lac Doré geological complex, BlackRock Metals Inc. Ref. No.: 3214-14-050	Yves Desrosiers BlackRock Metals Inc.	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Answers to questions regarding conditions 9, 10 and 32 and response to condition 30	Sent: February 28, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: March 12, 2020 Received by COMEX: March 17, 2020	<i>For information</i>