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<b>DATE:</b>	December 16, 2020
<b>PLACE:</b>	Video conference (Teams)
<b>PRESENT:</b>	Luc Lainé, Chairman Daniel Berrouard, Québec Robert Joly, Québec John Paul Murdoch, CNG Brian Craik, CNG  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 389<sup>th</sup> meeting**

The minutes of the 389<sup>th</sup> meeting were adopted as presented.

**Action: Translate and file the 389<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes**

**3) Correspondence and follow-up action**

Correspondence and follow-up action from November 25 to December 15, 2020 are presented in Appendix A.

**4) Landfill site in Wemindji**

**Ref. No.: 3214-16-099.1**

- a. Environmental and social impact assessment
  - For recommendation

WHEREAS on October 19, 2020, the Review Committee (COMEX) received, for its recommendation, the environmental and social impact assessment for the new landfill site in Wemindji.

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

**#2020-1216-01:** *write to the Regional Administrator to inform him that the COMEX members reviewed the documents 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 Regional Administrator**  
**Send questions and comments**

**5) Iron-vanadium mining project, BlackRock Metals Inc.**

**Ref. No.: 3214-14-050**

- a. Response to condition 22 of the amended CA issued on April 11, 2019
  - >For recommendation

WHEREAS on May 15, 2020, the Review Committee (COMEX) received, for its recommendation, the follow-up on condition 22 of the amended certificate of authorization issued on April 11, 2019 for BlackRock Metals' project to mine an iron-vanadium ore deposit.

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

**#2020-1216-02:** *write to the Provincial Administrator to inform him that the COMEX members reviewed the documents 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. **Rose Lithium-Tantalum mining project: Discussion on the holding of public hearings**

Vanessa Chalifour brought the members up to speed on the organization of public hearings for the Rose Lithium-Tantalum mining project. Several details are still to be determined, including the place of the hearings in each community and the technology infrastructure, but COMEX has enough information to set the hearing dates. The hearings will be held on February 15, 16 and 18, 2021, in the afternoon, in Matagami, Eastmain and Nemaska, respectively. Vanessa Chalifour will officially begin organizing the hearings and announce them no later than January 15, 2021.

**c. Eastmain-1A temporary workcamp: Discussion of the letters received in relation to the project**

On December 7 last, COMEX received several letters related to the Eastmain-1A temporary workcamp. John Paul Murdoch informed the members that the Eastmain Band Council will be meeting in January to discuss the workcamp and that COMEX will receive more information at its next meeting.

**d. Meeting of the monitoring committee for research project CC22.1 – “Portrait climatique EIBJ-Nunavik-AT” (climate change)**

No new developments.

**e. Analysis and prioritization of annual and monitoring reports pending review**

Considering the number of annual and monitoring reports pending review by COMEX, it was proposed that they be ranked by order of priority. Vanessa Chalifour will make a list of all reports pending review and then contact the project managers at MELCC to find out which ones could undergo faster analysis. An order of priority will be proposed at the next COMEX meeting.

**7) Next meetings**

- a.** January 28, 2021 – Video conference (Teams)
- b.** February 24, 2021 – Video conference (Teams)
- c.** March 25, 2021 – Video conference (Teams)

<b>Appendix A</b> <b>Correspondence and follow-up: November 25 to December 15, 2020</b>					
<b>Project</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>To</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Action - Comments</b>
Éléonore 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 Operation of the storage tailings facility Questions and comments	Sent: November 25, 2020 Acknowledgement of receipt: November 26, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Geneviève Pepin Goldcorp Canada Ltd.		Sent: December 9, 2020 Received by COMEX: December 10, 2020	
Chapais cogeneration plant, Chapais Énergie S.E.C. Ref. No.: 3214-10-012	Luc Lainé COMEX	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Application to amend the certificate of authorization Installation of a steam pipeline Correspondence	Sent: November 25, 2020 Acknowledgement of receipt: November 26, 2020	
Renard Diamond Project, Stornoway Diamonds (Canada) Inc. Ref. No.: 3214-14-041	Martin Boucher Stornoway Diamonds (Canada) Inc.	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	2019 environmental and social monitoring report	Sent: October 23, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: October 30, 2020 Received by COMEX: November 27, 2020	<i>For information</i>
	Luc Lainé COMEX	Martin Boucher Stornoway Diamonds (Canada) Inc.	Publication on COMEX's website 2018 and 2019 environmental and social monitoring reports	Sent: November 30, 2020	
	Martin Boucher Stornoway Diamonds (Canada) Inc.	Vanessa Chalifour COMEX		Sent: December 1, 2020 Received by COMEX: December 1, 2020	
Processing of gold ore from the Barry and Moroy projects at the Bachelor mine site and increase in the milling rate Ref. No.: 3214-14-027	Pascal Hamelin Bonterra Resources Inc.	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Environmental and social impact assessment report	Sent: November 2, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX	Additional information Answers QC01	Sent: November 26, 2020 Received by COMEX: November 26, 2020	<i>For recommendation</i>
Rose Lithium-Tantalum mining project, Critical Elements Corporation Ref. No.: 3214-14-053	Luc Lainé COMEX	Jean-Sébastien Lavallée Critical Elements Corporation	Public hearings on the Rose Lithium-Tantalum mining project	Sent: November 30, 2020 Acknowledgement of receipt: November 30, 2020	
	Luc Lainé COMEX	Guy Côté Hydro-Québec		Sent: November 30, 2020	

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Permanent housing on the site of the Eastmain-1A temporary workcamp Ref. No.: 3214-10-017	Chief Kenneth Cheezo Cree Nation of Eastmain Grand Chief Dr. Abel Bosum Cree Nation Government David Murray Hydro-Québec	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Letter regarding the Eastmain -1A temporary workcamp	Sent: July 21, 2020	
	Noureddine Mouncef Société d'Énergie de la Baie-James	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Letter regarding the Eastmain -1A temporary workcamp Application to amend the certificate of authorization	Sent: August 28, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	David Murray Hydro-Québec	Follow-up on the letter regarding the Eastmain -1A temporary workcamp	Sent: November 27, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Chief Kenneth Cheezo Cree Nation of Eastmain Grand Chief Dr. Abel Bosum Cree Nation Government	Follow-up on the letter regarding the Eastmain -1A temporary workcamp	Sent: November 30, 2020	
			Follow-up on the letter regarding the Eastmain -1A temporary workcamp – English version	Sent: December 7, 2020 Received by COMEX: December 7, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX	The four letters regarding the Eastmain -1A temporary workcamp	Sent: November 27, 2020 Received by COMEX: December 1, 2020	<i>For information</i>
Solid waste disposal site project in Waswanipi, Cree First Nation of Waswanipi Ref. No.: 3214-16-068	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Rhonda O. Cooper Cree First Nation of Waswanipi	Application to amend the certificate of authorization Follow-up on conditions 1, 3 and 5 Amendment to the certificate of authorization	Sent: November 25, 2020 Received by COMEX: December 9, 2020	
Éléonore Mine Project, Goldcorp Canada Ltd. Ref. No.: 3214-14-042	Geneviève Pepin Newmont Canada	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Application to amend the certificate of authorization Offsetting plan for wetlands and water and riparian environments	Sent: November 25, 2020	
	Dominique Lavoie MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX	Answers to questions and comments	Sent: December 9, 2020 Received by COMEX: December 9, 2020	<i>For recommendation</i>