



July 28, 1998

Mr. Stephen Schultz
Superintendent, Environmental Services
NWT Division
Royal Oak Mines Inc. - Giant Mine
P.O. Bag 3000
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Dear Mr. Schultz:

**Re: Royal Oak Mines - Giant Mine
Arsenic Trioxide Management
Surface Storage and Handling Scoping Document
Evaluation of Surface Contamination Data**

The Board has reviewed these documents and requests that the findings of these reports be incorporated into the Abandonment and Restoration Plan as required in Part H, Item 3(a) and (b) of your Water Licence.

In addition Royal Oak Mines Ltd. should use the information obtained in the Arsenic reports to assist them in developing the Arsenic Management Project Description required in Part G of the Licence.

If you require further assistance please contact this office. For technical enquires, contact Mr. Sevn Bohnet at (867) 669-2696 or Mr. David Milburn at (867) 669-2650 of the Water Resources Division.

Sincerely,

Gordon Wray
Chairman
N.W.T. Water Board

cc. DIAND, Yellowknife District Office