Version 3 Hammond Reef Gold Project EIS/EA – Addendum (Part B) Responses to Provincial Information Requests

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Identifier	Topic	Reference to EIS/EA Report	Summary of Comment	Proponent's Response	Subsequent Comment
			Date: March 2014	Date: June 2015	
MNDM 1	Water quality, Mine Closure and Rehabilitation	EIS/EA §6.1.5.3	The proponent appears to have concluded that the risk of metal leaching from the tailings and waste rock piles can be sufficiently mitigated by the engineering controls they propose in combination with natural attenuation processes. While this may be the case based on the testing performed to date, the proponent has not clearly defined what their contingency plans are if the assumptions regarding metal leaching and mitigation prove inaccurate and water quality impairments are realized post closure.	Thank you for your comment. Ongoing consultation with the MNDM will take place prior to the official submission of a Certified Closure Plan. Appropriate trigger levels and contingency planning for potential geochemical results outside the range of contingencies will be included in the Certified Closure Plan as required.	MNDM 1B