

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
			<i>Date: March 2014</i>	<i>Date: June 2015</i>	
MNR-16	Reassessment Condition		<p>Both the provincial and federal EA processes do not have a clear description of the 'life span' of an approved EA. MNR requests there to be a condition that allows a reassessment of the project once a considerable amount of time has lapsed from the approval to the implementation.</p> <p>The proponent for the Hammond Reef gold mine project has identified that the project will not be going forward in the immediate future after approval. It is quite possible the project will not be implemented for a number of years as implementation of the project is dependent on a number of unpredicted factors. As previously discussed, MNR has some concerns if there is no opportunity to review the project should the time lapse be significant.</p>	<p>Canadian Malartic understands that the Project schedule is a concern to the government and public. Although there has been fluctuation in gold prices and change in Project ownership, the intent remains to complete the permitting and approvals process and begin construction after receipt of required approvals.</p> <p>The Environmental Assessment Act already contains a provision that allows the Minister to reconsider decisions if there is a change in circumstances. Attaching a condition to the Hammond Reef EA is outside the established regulatory process and is not required.</p>	