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**Subject: Springpole Gold Project – Advice to Proponent to
(1) Inform Future Regulatory Processes; and
(2) Examples of Measures to Address Uncertainties**

As you are aware, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) is conducting a technical review of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Springpole Gold Project (the Project). Information Requirements were shared with First Mining Gold (the Proponent) on February 10, 2025.

As part of the technical review, several federal authorities provided advice to IAAC or the Proponent that can inform future regulatory processes that may be required for the Project. The **Enclosure** to this letter provides this regulatory advice. It also includes a few examples of follow-up programs that may be required to manage uncertainties about effects predictions in the environmental assessment, and other measures to address issues, as identified by IAAC. The Enclosure is provided as advice and for proponent awareness and does not include information requirements.

The advice in the attached enclosures was developed by IAAC and based on input provided by Environment and Climate Change Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Health Canada, Indigenous Services Canada, Natural Resources Canada, and Transport Canada. Please note that IAAC has not highlighted all advice from federal authorities, and the Proponent may choose to review the original input from these experts, which is available on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry at <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/proj/80149/contributions>.

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Once again, IAAC notes its commitment to support collaborative discussions and issues management with the Province of Ontario for matters with provincial oversight to understand how provincial effects may be managed to reduce federal effects. IAAC is also available to support discussions with federal authorities for both the environmental assessment and potential regulatory phase of the Project. Should you wish to meet with IAAC or other government experts, IAAC can assist in arranging this meeting.

If you have any questions, or request a meeting, please contact me at springpolegoldmine-minedorsspringpole@iaac-aeic.gc.ca, or by phone at 226-749-1214.

Sincerely,

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