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April 19, 2024

Russell Gossett, Environmental Manager
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Subject: Waste Management Permit 2024DB0001, Pogo Mine

Dear Mr. Gossett:

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation has completed its evaluation of your Waste Management Permit application for the disposal of mining wastes at the Pogo Mine, as detailed in your application materials and in the enclosed permit. Waste Management Permit 2024DB0001 covers disposal of mining wastes at the Pogo Mine. It also covers containment, monitoring, reclamation and closure activities, and financial assurance for site reclamation at closure.

The attached permit is issued under the provisions of Alaska Statutes 46.03.100, and the Alaska Administrative Code (AAC), 18 AAC 15, 18 AAC 60, 18 AAC 70, and 18 AAC 72 and other applicable state laws and regulations. Please review the conditions and stipulations in this permit and ensure that they are all understood. This permit is effective **April 19, 2024** and expires after **April 18, 2029**.

Any person who disagrees with this decision may request an informal review by the Division Director in accordance with 18 AAC 15.185 or an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 18 AAC 15.195 – 18 AAC 15.340. An informal review request must be delivered to the Director of the Division of Water, 555 Cordova St., Anchorage, AK 99501, within 15 days of receipt of the permit decision. An adjudicatory hearing request must be delivered to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Conservation, 410 Willoughby Ave., Suite 303, Juneau, AK 99801, within 30 days of the permit decision. If a hearing is not requested within 30 days, the right to appeal is waived.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of James Rypkema in black ink.

James Rypkema
(Acting) Program Manager

Enclosures: Waste Management Permit 2024DB0001, Northern Star Resources Limited
Responses to Comments on draft Waste Management Permit 2024DB0001

cc: James Meyers, Northern Star Ltd.
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