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Mr. Craig Stevens
Rio Tinto
4700 Daybreak Parkway
South Jordan, Utah 84095

Re: Site Characterization Work Plan Approval
Beatson Mine, Latouche Island

Dear Mr. Stevens:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has received and reviewed the *2019 Site Characterization Work Plan* for the Beatson Mine site located on Latouche Island, prepared by Golder Associates Ltd. and dated June 27, 2019. This work plan is hereby approved in accordance with 18 Alaska Administrative Code (AAC) 75.335(b).

This work plan outlines field activities to be conducted in mid-July. Soil, waste rock, sediment, groundwater, and surface water samples will be collected and additional groundwater monitoring wells will be installed and sampled. Other activities scheduled include various geotechnical and engineering investigations to inform future remedial actions, and installation of additional signage and access barriers for mine openings. A supplemental report evaluating the analytical results and conclusions from the field activities will be submitted.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about this site.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Anne Marie Palmieri".

Anne Marie Palmieri
Environmental Program Specialist

cc: Dave Jackson, David E. Jackson & Associates, Inc.