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#### 1. Introduction

This Class V Permit Application has been prepared in accordance with applicable sections of United States Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) instructions. The information contained in this document has been previously provided to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) in a February 2006 document entitled Eagle Project – Groundwater Discharge Permit Application. This Class V Permit Application is being submitted in response to letters from USEPA (dated January 31, 2007 and March 22, 2007) to Kennecott Eagle Minerals Company (KEMC) stipulating that the infiltration of treated water from the Eagle Project through the treated water infiltration system (TWIS) will require a Class V Permit.

In preparing this application, the Class V Permit Application Instructions were followed. Several sections documented in the instructions are not applicable to this application since the project has not yet been constructed and the requested material is not applicable to the Eagle Project. The following summarizes specific sections from the instructions that are not presented in this document:

- C Corrective Action Plan and Well Data (not applicable for Class V).
- I Formation Testing Procedures (not applicable for Class V).
- J Stimulation Program (not applicable).
- L Construction Procedures (not applicable for Class V).
- N Changes in Injected Fluid (not applicable for Class V).
- O Plans for Well Failures (not applicable for Class V).
- S Aquifer Exemptions (not requested).

#### 2. Map of Well/Area and Area of Review

Figure 1 shows the location of the proposed Eagle Project. Figure 2 presents a USGS topographic map which depicts a 1-mile radius around the proposed TWIS. In addition, proposed water supply wells, discharge structures and piping within ½ mile of the proposed TWIS are shown on Figure 2. There are no public or private wells, or hazardous waste treatment storage and/or disposal areas within ½ mile of the proposed TWIS.

Property ownership within ¼ mile of the TWIS is shown on Figure 1. The following is a list of adjacent property owners:

Michigan Department of Natural Resources Land and Mineral Services Division P.O. Box 30448 Lansing, MI 30448

Plum Creek
P.O. Box 1008
7100 County 427 M.5 Road
Escanaba, MI 49829-6008

Longyear Realty Corporation 210 Front Street Marquette, MI 49829-6008

### 3. Maps and Cross Section of USDWs and Geologic Structure of Area

A hydrogeologic report for the Eagle Project's groundwater discharge system is provided in Appendix A. This report provides information on the following:

- · Methods of investigation,
- · Well head protection areas and surrounding domestic wells,
- Information of site geology,
- · Information on regional aquifers and underground sources of drinking water (USDW),
- + The patterns of regional groundwater flow,
- + Hydraulic characteristics of the geologic formations,
- Geologic cross sections,
- · Potentiometric surface maps,
- Borings logs, etc.

#### 4. Operating Data

A description of the sources of water from the mining operations is provided in Appendix B. This appendix contains water balance information and water chemistry data on the water that will be treated at the waste water treatment plant (WWTP). Appendix C contains information on the water treatment system and expected effluent quality. Appendix D contains information on the design and operation of the TWIS. Appendix E contains information on the modeling of groundwater flow from the TWIS.

#### 5. Infiltration Procedures

Information regarding the infiltration procedures is summarized in a Discharge Management Plan for the Treated Water Infiltration System contained in Appendix D.

#### 6. Construction Details

Information regarding construction details for the infiltration system are summarized in a Discharge Management Plan for the Treated Water Infiltration System that is contained Appendix D. The general location of the TWIS is shown on Figure 2. The TWIS has not been constructed, therefore information regarding its construction and operational history is not available.

#### 7. Monitoring Program

The monitoring program for the TWIS is provided in Appendix F.

#### 8. Plugging and Abandonment Plan

The TWIS will be decommissioned at the end of the underground mine operations (approximately 12-17 years after site construction begins). Reclamation of the TWIS will include removal of all piping and mechanical systems and regrading and revegetating the infiltration cell areas. Plastic piping will be disposed at an approved landfill.

#### 9. Necessary Resources

KEMC will provide financial assurance in the amount of approximately \$17,000,000 to the State of Michigan for site reclamation (including the TWIS) and monitoring pursuant to Part 632 of the State of Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act and administrative rules promulgated under R 425.101 et.seq. KEMC will select a financial assurance instrument that meets the requirements of R 425.302.

#### 10. Existing EPA Permits

There are no other USEPA permits required for the project.

#### 11. Description of Business

The Eagle Project is a proposed facility for mineral extraction. There will be no milling or chemical processing of ore at the Eagle Project site.

#### **Figures**



