

**IN THE MATTER OF
THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT, S.B.C. 2002, c. 43 (Act)**

AND

**IN THE MATTER OF
PROJECT APPROVAL CERTIFICATE #M05-02
ISSUED TO RED CHRIS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LTD.
FOR THE
RED CHRIS PORPHYRY COPPER-GOLD MINE (Project)**

AMENDMENT TO CERTIFICATE #M05-02

WHEREAS:

- A. Project Approval Certificate #M05-02 (Certificate) was issued to Red Chris Development Company Limited (the "Proponent") on August 24, 2005, for the Project and on July 9, 2010, the Certificate was extended to August 24, 2015.
- B. The Certificate authorizes the Proponent to construct, operate and decommission an open pit copper-gold mine, a processing mill, tailings management facility, and new access road and transmission line and related infrastructure on the Todagin Plateau, approximately 18 km southeast of the village of Iskut.
- C. On November 4, 2011, the Proponent applied to the Executive Director of the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) to amend Condition 1 of the Certificate and to add a requirement for compliance reporting to the Certificate.
- D. In accordance with section 19 of the Act, the Project Assessment Director established a process for the review of the proposed amendment of the Certificate.
- E. Notice of the application to amend the Certificate was provided to representatives of provincial government agencies, Tahltan First Nation, Iskut First Nation and Tahltan Central Council.
- F. During the review of the proposed amendment of the Certificate, comments were obtained from agencies and First Nations.

NOW THEREFORE:

I amend the Certificate by:

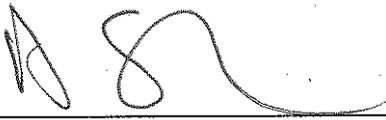
Replacing Condition 1 of the Certificate with the following:

1. The Proponent must cause the Project to be designed, located, constructed, operated and decommissioned in accordance with the Conditions of this Certificate, the documents listed in Schedule A, and the Table of Proponent's Commitments in Schedule B, and must comply with all of the Conditions of this Certificate.
 - 1.1 Notwithstanding Condition 1, the Proponent may modify the design, location, construction, operation or decommissioning of the Project if:
 - (a) the modification does not exceed the threshold for a modification of an existing project as specified in the *Reviewable Projects Regulation*, and
 - (b) one of the following applies:
 - (i) the modification complies with the commitments set out in Schedule B, or
 - (ii) the Executive Director has determined and specified in writing that the modification is not likely to result in significant adverse effects, and
 - (c) the Proponent has received an approval from the appropriate authorities required to give approvals, licenses, permits or other authorizations under other enactments, to vary the design, location, construction, operation or decommissioning of the Project, in accordance with that authority's approval process.
 - 1.2 In the event of a modification allowed under Condition 1.1, the Conditions of this Certificate, the documents listed in Schedule A, and the Table of Proponent's Commitments in Schedule B of the Environmental Assessment Certificate will be deemed to be amended accordingly.

Adding Condition 8

8. The Proponent must submit a report to the EAO Executive Director in a time, format and content specified by a Project Assessment Director on the status of compliance with respect to the Conditions and the Commitments attached to the EA Certificate.

Dated this 24 day of February, 2012 at Victoria, British Columbia.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Derek Sturko', written over a horizontal line.

Derek Sturko
Executive Director
Environmental Assessment Office