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Mr. William S. Groom, Geologist II  
State of Alaska  
Department of Natural Resources  
Fairbanks, Ak

Dear William,

**RE: J20182711 Reclamation Plan Approval – Niblack Underground Exploration Project**

As we discussed during our prior meetings, we are writing to request a two year extension of the current approved Reclamation Plan J20182711 (“RPA”), to April 30, 2025 for the Niblack Underground Exploration Project (the “Project”).

Pursuant to the RPA submitted in September 2017, there has been no changes in the owner and sole operator of the exploration property (Niblack Project LLC). There has been no significant changes to the major components associated with the Project that include an underground mine exploration adit and portal entrance, a temporary storage facility for potentially acid-generating (“PAG”) waste rock, a non-acid generating (“NAG”) waste rock disposal area, settling/treatment ponds, a water land application/dispersion (LAD) discharge system, access roads, and a marine dock and camp facility. Ancillary facilities include topsoil stockpiles, an ore stockpile, diversion systems, fuel storage and supply laydown and staging areas. This phase of development on the Project was completed in July 2012.

From July 2012 to November 2020, the Project was essentially inactive, whereby the Project was then reactivated with two drill campaigns on the site (surface/underground with no additional blasting or development) in late 2020 and early 2021. Since then, there has been no further exploration activities. In the summer of 2021, a land camp to accommodate up to 60 people for future activities was constructed on previously disturbed area (referred to Old Camp Site on Figure A-01 of the RPA), with the barge camp being tagged out in 2022. In addition, during 2022 significant repairs to the dock/ramp were completed and the 20,000 gallon fuel tank has been removed and replaced with an 8,000 gallon double-line fuel tank.

Quarterly water sampling and reporting continues, as well as routine site visits to inspect the siphon systems, pump water that has accumulated in sumps in the adit to the settling ponds, storm water controls, settling pond operations, barge, and fuel storage.

We are requesting an extension for an additional two years as there has been no major changes or modifications required to the current RPA. It is Niblack’s intention to conduct further exploration activities (surface and underground), and it is anticipated those activities would not commence prior to the Spring of 2025. During this time period, Niblack will be seeking additional funding/investment opportunities via its parent company Blackwolf Copper and Gold Ltd to conduct further

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exploration/development activities, access its camp requirements and complete the commissioning of it, while continuing to maintain the Project, and remove the barge.

In addition, Niblack acknowledges that it will complete an updated financial assurance cost estimate over the next year and provide by no later than April 30, 2024.

If you have any further questions, I can be reached at 604-488-9029 or via email at [sn@bwcg.ca](mailto:sn@bwcg.ca). Thank you for your attention to this request.

Respectfully,  
Niblack Project LLC

Susan Neale, Treasurer and Director

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