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JUN 1 3 2006

Regulatory Branch POA-2006-511-D

Mr. Darwin Green Niblack Mining Corp. 800 West Pender Street, Suite 615 Vancouver, BC V6C 2V6 Canada

Dear Mr. Green:

This is in response to your May 23, 2006, application on behalf of the Niblack Mining Corporation for a Department of the Army (DA) permit), to place 19 twenty-four inch diameter culverts and fill a total of 0.055 acres of drainage for linear transportation crossings. It has been assigned file number POA-2006-511-D, which should be referred to in all future correspondence with us. The proposed project is located within section 33 & 34, T. 78 S., R. 88 W., Copper River Meridian; Latitude 55.0667° N., Longitude 132.1461° W.; Niblack Anchorage on Prince of Wales Island, approximately 26 miles southwest of Ketchikan, Alaska.

DA permit authorization is necessary because your project would involve placement of dredged and/or fill material into waters of the U.S. under our regulatory jurisdiction.

Based upon the information and plans you provided, we hereby verify that the work described above, which would be performed in accordance with the enclosed plan (sheets 1-4), dated June 12, 2006, is authorized by Nationwide Permit (NWP) No. 14, Linear Transportation Projects. NWP No. 14 and its associated Regional and General Conditions can be accessed at our website at www.poa.usace.army.mil/reg or, at your request, a paper copy will be provided to you. Regional Conditions A-F and K-O apply to your project. You must comply with all terms and conditions associated with NWP No. 14.

Further, please note General Condition 14 requires that you submit a signed certification to us once any work and required mitigation are completed. Enclosure 1 is the form for you to complete and return to us.

This verification is valid until the NWP is modified, reissued, or revoked. All of the existing NWPs are scheduled to be modified, reissued, or revoked prior to March 18, 2007. It is incumbent upon you to remain informed of changes to the NWPs. We will issue a public notice when the NWPs are reissued. Furthermore, if you commence or are under contract to commence this activity before the date that the relevant nationwide permit is modified or revoked, you will have twelve (12) months from the date of the modification or revocation of the NWP to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions of this nationwide permit.

Please be advised that this verification does not authorize mechanized land clearing operations, including vegetation removal or other soil disturbances in wetlands, beyond the footprint of the work described above. If such activities are proposed, you must contact us prior to beginning the work.

Nothing in this letter excuses you from compliance with other Federal, State, or local statutes, ordinances, or regulations.

Please contact me at (907) 753-2712, by mail at the letterhead address, ATTN: CEPOA-CO-R-E, by email at michelle.l.nordhougen@poa02.usace.army.mil, if you have questions or to request a paper copy of the terms and conditions of NWPs No. 14. For additional information about our Regulatory Programy, visit our web site at www.poa.usace.army.mil/reg.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Michelle Nordhougen Regulatory Specialist

Enclosures

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Enclosure 1



US Army Corps of Engineers Alaska District

Permit Number: POA-2006-511-D

Name of Permittee: Niblack Mining Corporation

Date of Issuance: JUN 1 3 2006

Upon completion of the activity authorized by this permit and any mitigation required by the permit, sign this certification and return it to the following address:

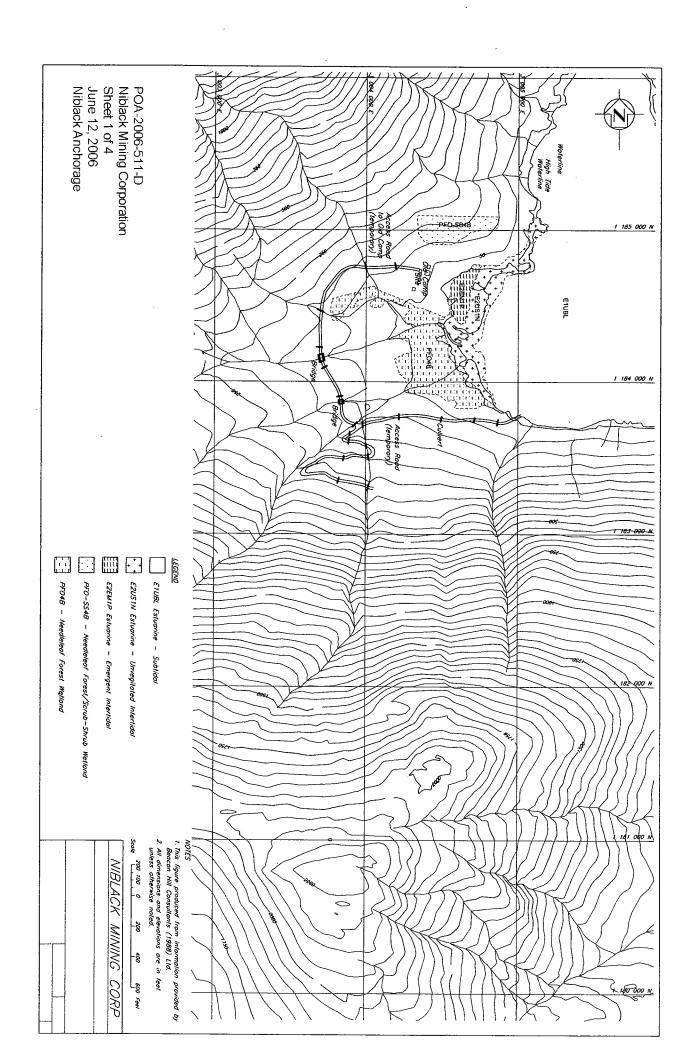
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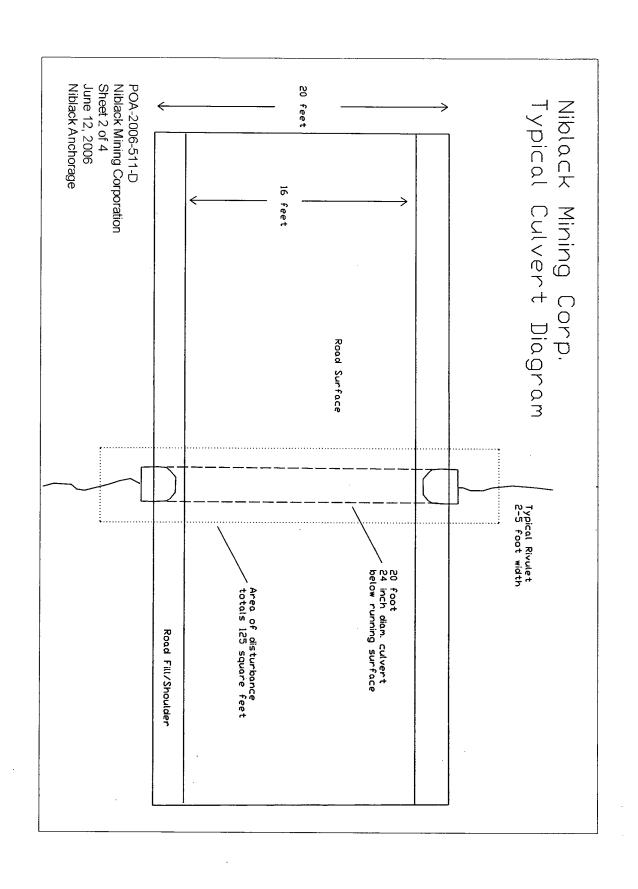
Please note that your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by an U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with this permit you are subject to permit suspension, modification,

or revocation.

I hereby certify that the work authorized by the above-referenced permit has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the said permit, and required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions.

Signature	of	Permittee	Date





POA-2006-511-D Niblack Mining Corporation Sheet 3 of 4 June 12, 2006 Niblack Anchorage Cross Crushed Rock Road Surface Cross Section Of Culvert Parallel to Road Section Of Road & Culvert Crushed Rock Road Surface 24 in. culvert Road Fill 24 in. Culvert 20 foot long culvert

