

## DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

DIVISION OF HABITAT

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SEAN PARNELL, Governor

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Mr. Ken Taylor 3201 C St., Suite 604 Anchorage, AK 99503

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Re: Pebble Limited Partnership Water Withdrawal Plan

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Habitat (Habitat), has reviewed the Pebble Limited Partnership's Water Withdrawal Plan to be implemented in conjunction with the Alaska Department of Natural Resources Temporary Water Use Permits and Habitat's Fish Habitat Permits. The plan should ensure exploratory operations occur in permitted areas and adhere to permit stipulations if properly implemented and adhered to. The plan is acceptable to Habitat and is hereby approved.

Habitat requires PLP to submit a written request to reinstate your suspended Fish Habitat Permits. The request should include any amendment requests you may determine are necessary for continuation of your exploratory operations. Your amendment requests and future applications for Fish Habitat Permits also must contain all available fisheries data for the site(s). If data are not available, plans should be made to sample those sites for fish presence. If non-fish bearing waters are available, they should be preferentially used. Specifications for a standardized screened intake structure for the planned pumping rates shall also be submitted as part of your application.

Please contact Habitat Biologist Ron Benkert at 267-2113 or by email at ronald.benkert@alaska.gov with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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