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LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Mr. Stoll:

**Re: Northgate Mineral Corporation
Application for leave to construct Transmission Facilities
Application Board File Number EB-2010-0150**

The Board has now issued its Notice of Application and Hearing (the "Notice") with respect to the above matter.

You are directed:

- 1) To conduct a search of title forthwith, sufficient to determine the current registered property owners and encumbrancers with lands or interest in the lands directly affected by the proposed transmission line and facilities;
- 2) To immediately serve a copy of the English version and the French version of the Notice along with the location map and a copy of the Application, either personally, by courier, or by registered mail on:
 - a) All directly affected property owners and encumbrancers with lands or interest in lands identified by the search of title referred to above;

- b) Other interested parties, landowners and right holders in close proximity to the right of way who were identified by the Applicant and included in a list in the pre-filed evidence in Exhibit A/Tab 3/Sch. 2;
- c) Hydro One Networks Inc.;
- d) Each electricity distributor within whose service area the proposed transmission line and facilities are or will be located;
- e) All generators connected directly to the Hydro One Networks Inc. transmission lines to which the proposed line will connect;
- f) All transmission customers of Hydro One Networks Inc. connected directly to the transmission lines to which the proposed line will connect;
- g) All owners and operators of rail lines, telecommunications (e.g., telephone) or other utilities along or crossing the routes proposed for the project;
- h) The Clerk of the Town of Matachewan;
- i) The Clerks of all Municipalities that would be affected by the project;
- j) The Matachewan First Nation;
- k) The Metis Nation of Ontario;
- l) The Temagami First Nation;
- m) All other First Nations and Metis groups affected by the Project;
- n) The following federal government ministries and agencies:
 - i) Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency;
 - ii) Fisheries and Oceans Canada;
 - iii) Natural Resources Canada, Energy Sector; and
 - iv) Transport Canada.

- o) The following provincial government ministries and agencies and industry organizations:
- i) Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure
 - ii) Ministry of Environment;
 - iii) Ministry of Natural Resources
 - iv) Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs;
 - v) Ontario Realty Corporation;
 - vi) Ministry of Transportation;
 - vii) Ministry of Government Services;
 - viii) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
 - ix) Ministry of Culture;
 - x) Ministry of Tourism;
 - xi) Ministry of Attorney General;
 - xii) Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs;
 - xiii) Electrical Safety Authority;
 - xiv) Independent Electricity System Operator;
 - xv) Ontario Power Authority;
 - xvi) Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario; and
 - xvii) Electricity Distributors Association.
- 3) To arrange immediately for the enclosed English version of the Notice, headed with the Ontario government logo and the words “Ontario Energy Board”, to be published in one edition of the English language newspaper having the highest paid circulation in the City of Timmins and in one edition of the English language newspaper having the highest paid circulation in the Town of Kirkland Lake
(Note: Please make it clear that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board);
- 4) To arrange immediately for the enclosed French version of the Notice headed with the Ontario Government logo and the words “Commission de l’énergie de l’Ontario”, to be published in one edition of the French language newspaper having the highest paid circulation in the City of Timmins and in one edition of the English language newspaper having the highest paid circulation in the Town of Kirkland Lake. If there are no French language newspapers in the Town of Kirkland Lake, arrange to have the French version of the Notice to be published in one edition of the English language newspaper having the highest paid

circulation in the Town of Kirkland Lake; (**Note:** Please make it clear that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board);

- 5) To file with the Board affidavit evidence proving the above service and publication immediately upon completion, with the relevant Notices, Application, and original post office registration receipts (where applicable), or courier confirmation lists attached as appendices. It is not necessary for the affidavits of publication to have newspaper tear sheets attached;
- 6) To immediately, or as soon as it is ready, have copies of the Application, the pre-filed evidence and any additional materials as they are developed, made available for convenient public perusal at the head office of Northgate Minerals Corporation and the office of its counsel and at other offices if so identified in the Notice, and to post all such documents on the web site of Northgate Minerals Corporation;
- 7) To immediately provide copies of the Application and pre-filed evidence and any additional materials as they are developed, to the offices of the townships or municipalities listed in the Notice, if any, and to request them to make such documents available for convenient public perusal;
- 8) To immediately provide a copy of the Application and pre-filed evidence, and any additional materials as they are developed, to any person upon request.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

Encl.

c. Mr. Andrew Cormier, Northgate Mineral Corporation