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BY PRIORITY POST

April 13, 2010

Oleg and Marina Anisimov & Natalia Rezva 2034 Jans Boulevard Innisfil ON L9S 4Y8

Dear Applicants:

Re: Northgate Minerals Corporation – Young Davidson Project

Application Board File Number EB-2010-0150

Notice of Intervention of Oleg Anisimov, Marina Anisimov, and Natalia

Rezva

The Board confirms Oleg Anisimov, Marina Anisimov, and Natalia Rezva as intervenors in the above noted proceeding.

Please be aware that the Board's jurisdiction to consider issues in a section 92 leave to construct case is limited by section 96(2) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*:

In an application under section 92, the Board shall only consider the following when, under subsection (1), it considers whether the construction, expansion or reinforcement of the electricity transmission line or electricity distribution line, or the making of the interconnection, is in the public interest:

- 1. The interests of consumers with respect to prices and the reliability and quality of electricity service.
- 2. Where applicable and in a manner consistent with the policies of the Government of Ontario, the promotion of the use of renewable energy sources.

This limitation means that, generally speaking, the Board does not have the jurisdiction to explore issues related to environmental matters.

The Board notes that the issues raised in your letter relate to two main categories. The first main category relates to environmental impacts such as the hum of wires, and potential exposure to low-level electromagnetic fields ("EMFs"). As noted above, these issues fall outside of the Board's jurisdiction and cannot be considered through the Board's proceeding.

The second main category relates to property value and interference with plans to building a permanent dwelling on the property. The Ontario Energy Board does not have the jurisdiction to deal with compensation for reduced property values.

Please be advised, therefore, that many of the issues you seek to raise may be outside of the scope of the Board's review.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

John Pickernell Assistant Board Secretary

c. Mr. Scott A. Stoll, Aird & Berlis LLP
Mr. Andrew Cormier, Northgate Minerals Corporation