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**BY E-MAIL ONLY** 

February 7, 2014

Darcy Cowan Rainy River Resources Ltd. c/o New Gold Inc. 200 Bay Street Toronto, ON M5J 2J8

## LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Mr. Cowan:

## Re: Rainy River Resources Ltd. Application for Leave to Construct Transmission Facilities Board File No. EB-2014-0014

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

You are directed:

- To conduct a search of title, sufficient to determine the current registered property owners and encumbrancers with lands or interest in the lands directly affected. Lands are directly affected if an interest in the lands is required on either a temporary or permanent basis for the construction and/or operation of the proposed transmission line and associated facilities.
- 2. To arrange for the publication of the of the Notice, together with the map, in the exact form accompanying this letter, except, under the second bullet of the section entitled "HAVE YOUR SAY" and under the heading "Oral and Written Hearings",
  - a. remove the bold and bracketed words "[insert actual date 10 calendar days from publication]"; and

b. insert the actual date, using the following format "Month Day, 2013", which date shall be determined by adding 10 calendar days to the date of publication of the newspaper in which the Notice appears.

Publication must be made in one issue of the English language newspaper having the highest circulation, according to the best information available, in each of the Township of Chapple and the Territorial District of Rainy River.

Please note that invoices regarding publication are not to be sent to the Board.

- 3. To file a pdf version of the completed Notice with the Board as soon as the dates as specified in paragraphs 2a. and 2b., above are determined.
- 4. To, no later than the date of publication of the Notice, serve a copy of each of the Notice and the Application, either personally, by courier, or by registered mail upon:
  - a. All property owners and encumbrancers of directly affected lands or interests in lands identified by the search of title referred to above including;
  - b. All other property owners to whom Rainy River Resources Ltd. will offer an agreement for the temporary or permanent use of land e.g., properties that will be subject to overhang of the proposed transmission line.
  - **NOTE:** It is the responsibility of the Applicant to identify land owners that will be directly affected by the routing and construction of the proposed transmission line.
    - c. Hydro One Networks Inc.;
    - d. All electricity distributors in whose service areas the proposed 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 Clerks of all Municipalities that would be affected by the project;
- i. All Aboriginal communities with any interest in the lands affected by the subject project, including:
  - Aboriginal communities listed in Exhibit A, Tab 3, Schedule 1, Pages 6 and 7.
- j. The following provincial government ministries and agencies:
  - (i) Ministry of Energy
  - (ii) Ministry of Infrastructure;
  - (iii) Ministry of the Environment;
  - (iv) Ministry of Natural Resources;
  - (v) Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs;
  - (vi) Ministry of Transportation;
  - (vii) Ministry of Government Services;
  - (viii) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
  - (ix) Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport;
  - (x) Ministry of the Attorney General;
  - (xi) Electrical Safety Authority;
  - (xii) Independent Electricity System Operator- Attention :Director of Regulatory Affairs; and
  - (xiii) Ontario Power Authority; and
- k. The following federal government department:
  - (i) Transport Canada.
  - (ii) Fisheries and Oceans Canada
- 5. To file with the Board affidavit evidence proving the above service and publication immediately upon completion, with the relevant Notices, Application and location map, 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.

- To, forthwith 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 Applicant's offices and to post all such documents on its website at <u>http://www.newgold.com/properties/projects/rainyriver/rainyriverproject/default.aspx</u>.
- 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 affected municipalities, 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

cc: Scott A. Stoll, Aird & Berlis LLP Wayne Clark, SanZoe Consulting Inc.