



Office of the Minister

Original dated: Sept 3, 2002

Chris Trider, President
MacLeod Resources Limited
RR#1
Truro, NS
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Dear Mr. Trider:

Re: Environmental Assessment - Kennedys Big Brook Red Marble Mine

The environmental assessment of the proposed Kennedys Big Brook Red Marble Mine near River Denys, Inverness County, Nova Scotia has been completed.

This is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 13(1)(b) of the *Environmental Assessment Regulations*, pursuant to Part IV of the *Environment Act*. I am satisfied following a review of the information provided by MacLeod Resources Limited, and through the government and public consultation as part of the environmental assessment, that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

This letter in conjunction with the attached terms and conditions constitutes my approval. This approval is subject to any other approvals required by statute or regulation, including but not limited to, approval under Part V of the Nova Scotia *Environment Act* (Approvals and Certificates section).

If you have any questions regarding the approval of this project, please contact the Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, Mr. Chris Daly at (902) 424-4936.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

David Morse
Minister