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VIA EMAIL

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**Re: Taseko Mines Limited – Notice of Work –
Exploration Permit MX-3-131 dated July 14, 2017**

We write further to your letter of August 4, 2017 and the recent discussions between our counsel and the Department of Justice indicating CEAA intends to seek an injunction pursuant to s. 96 of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012* to stop Taseko from carrying out the Notice of Work program (the "Program") recently approved by the Province.

We have had an opportunity to consider the ongoing disagreement between CEAA and Taseko whether the Program complies with s. 6 of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012*, as set out in our recent exchange. In light of that ongoing disagreement, and reserving all of Taseko's rights in regard to its position regarding the lawfulness of the Program, as an act of good faith Taseko does not intend to move forward with any work pursuant to the Program regardless of whether the Tsilhqot'in Nation succeeds in its injunction application.

We trust this answers the inquiry in your letter, and Taseko looks forward to discussing this matter with CEAA further.

Yours truly,

TASEKO MINES LIMITED

<Original signed by>

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From the desk of Russell Hallbauer, President & CEO