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By Email

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Attention: Christal Nieman, Project Manager

Dear Christal:

Re: Kemess Underground Project (Reference No. 80063) - Change in Proponent

The Kemess Underground Project (the "Project") is a proposed underground gold-copper mine located in a mountainous area of north-central British Columbia, approximately 250 km north of Smithers, 430 km north-west of Prince George, and 6.5 km north of the past-producing Kemess South Mine.

The Project, which is subject to both the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* and the *Environmental Assessment Act* (British Columbia), is currently undergoing a substituted environmental assessment led by the British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office. The environmental assessment for the Project was initiated in 2014 by AuRico Gold Inc. as the operator and proponent of the Project.

AuRico Gold Inc. has assigned, sold and transferred to AuRico Metals Inc. all rights and obligations associated with the Project. As such we are requesting that the proponent for the Project be changed from AuRico Gold Inc. to AuRico Metals Inc. accordingly.

Please note that there is significant continuity in the management team as most of the key personnel have continued on with AuRico Metals.



For the purposes of the environmental assessment, the following contact information should be used for all future correspondence:

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We would ask that you kindly confirm when your files are updated to reflect the new proponent by e-mail or facsimile to Harold as indicated above and copying Johanna Fipke at jfipke@fasken.com.

Yours sincerely,

AURICO METALS INC.

<original signed by>

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