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SUBJECT: James Bay Lithium Mine Project – Information Request

Gail Amyot:

In a letter dated February 15, 2022, the Joint Assessment Committee (the Committee) informed Galaxy Lithium (Canada) Inc. (the proponent) of its position on the use of waste rock for road construction as described in the responses to the third Information Request¹. The Committee advised the proponent of the need to develop an alternative solution to address this issue as soon as possible.

In an email dated February 21, 2022, the proponent expressed to the Committee its intention to develop an alternative solution. In response, the Committee requests that the proponent provide a detailed description of its approach to road construction, including all mitigation measures meant to prevent the release of harmful substances from construction materials. The proponent must assess the potential environmental effects of this new alternative and define any changes to the project's components resulting from the selected approach.

Next Steps

In this context, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada is suspending the environmental assessment regulatory timeline as of March 3, 2022. The schedule will resume once the information provided by the proponent allows the Committee, in collaboration with the appropriate government experts, to proceed with the environmental assessment or prepare the environmental assessment report.

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WSP, 2022. James Bay Lithium Mine Project. Answers to the Third Information Request from the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada as part of the Environmental Review of the Project. Answer A-CCE3-37. Report prepared for Galaxy Lithium (Canada) Inc. 136 pages and appendices.

If you need further information, please contact the project manager, Guillaume Clément-Mathieu, by phone at 418-573-2306 or by email at guillaume.clement-mathieu@iaac-aeic-gc.ca.

Best regards,

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