



**STAR-ORION SOUTH DIAMOND PROJECT
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

APPENDIX 5.4.5-C

Clearance Letter



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February 18, 2009

Our File: 07-655

Mr. Brad Novecosky
Golder Associates Ltd.
Agent For: Shore Gold Inc.
1721 8th Street East
SASKATOON SK S7H 0T4

Dear Mr. Novecosky:

**RE: Star-Orion South Diamond Mine Project:
(Your File: 09-1361-0517);
HERITAGE RESOURCE IMPACT ASSESSMENT RESULTS**

Please be advised we received (February 18 and February 11, 2010) your company's reports on the heritage resource impact assessment (HRIA) and mitigation of this project completed under Investigation Permits #08-094 and 08-145.

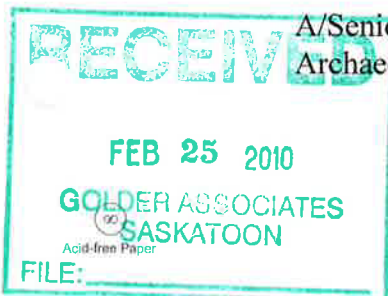
As you know, several sites were recorded and mitigated during this process. In particular, the Star Open Pit, Plant Site, East Ravine Reservoir, Unprocessed Kimberlite Stockpile, Processed Kimberlite Containment Facility, Coarse Processed Kimberlite Storage, Ravine Pond, and Overburden Storage areas were assessed. With the assessment and mitigation of a number of sites located within these areas, no further work is deemed required for this project. Therefore, this office has no further objection to this project proceeding as planned.

On behalf of the Heritage Resources Branch, please convey our appreciation to the developer for having commissioned this investigation, and for their continuing assistance and support in preserving Saskatchewan's archaeological heritage.

Sincerely,

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Nathan Friesen
A/Senior Archaeologist
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March 26, 2009

Our File: n/a

Mr. Brad Novecosky
Golder Associates Ltd.
Agent for: Kensington Resources Ltd.
1721 8th Street East
SASKATOON SK S7H 0T4

Dear Mr. Novecosky:

**RE: Orion South Project:
Detailed Site Assessments;
HERITAGE RESOURCE IMPACT ASSESSMENT RESULTS**

Please be advised we received (March 25, 2009) your report on your heritage resource impact assessment (HRIA) of this project completed under Investigation Permit #08-093.

As you know, detailed assessments were done at nine heritage sites (FhNe-10, FhNe-12, FhNe-22, FhNe-23, FhNe-57, FhNe-58, FhNe-59, FhNe-92 and FhNe-131). Through the detailed recording and testing at these sites, they are deemed to be mitigated. Therefore, this office has no further objection to this project proceeding as planned.

On behalf of the Heritage Resources Branch, please convey our appreciation to the developer for having commissioned this investigation, and for their continuing assistance and support in preserving Saskatchewan's archaeological heritage.

Sincerely,

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Senior Archaeologist
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October 21, 2010

Our File: 10-1524

Mr. Patrick Young
Golder Associates Ltd.
Agent For: Shore Gold
1721 – 8th Street East
SASKATOON SK S7H 0T4

Dear Mr. Young:

**RE: Shore Gold: Star Diamond Mine Expansion;
HERITAGE RESOURCE IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND
MITIGATION RESULTS**

Please be advised we received (October 21, 2010) your report on your heritage resource impact assessment (HRIA) of this project, and mitigation of associated sites, completed under Investigation Permits #10-208 and 10-237 .

As you know, seven new sites (FhNe-159 to 165) were identified during the course of the assessment, and one previously identified site was revisited. With previous HRIA results considered, 19 sites are in conflict with the new areas of development. A review of these sites determined that five sites require further investigation prior to development proceeding. These sites, FhNe-26, FhNe-27, FhNe-34, FhNe-36 and FhNf-59 were mitigated through a phase one excavation. Results of this mitigation determined that no further work is warranted. Consequently, all heritage concerns resulting from the revision/expansion of the mine have been addressed and accordingly this office has no further objection to this project proceeding as planned.

On behalf of the Heritage Resources Branch, please accept our appreciation for having commissioned this investigation, and for your continuing assistance and support in preserving Saskatchewan's archaeological heritage.

Sincerely,

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Nathan Friesen
Senior Archaeologist
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