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Jeff Fountain Vale Canada Ltd. P.O. Box 5000 Thompson, MB R8N 1P3

Dear Jeff Fountain:

Re: Vale Canada Ltd. – Environment Act Licence No. 960VC – Notice of Alteration

Receipt of your May 19, 2020 submission is acknowledged as a Notice of Alteration in accordance with Section 14 of The Environment Act.

The requested change to the Development as licensed is an increase to the total maximum storage of concentrate material in the Thompson Concentrate Load Out Facility from 2000 tonnes to 3500 tonnes.

The information provided states that the increase in concentrate storage will not increase the footprint of the facility. Additionally, Vale engineering has verified that the concentrate stockpile capacity upgrades do not impose any structural concerns; the structure of the existing load out facility is adequate for the concentrate stockpile capacity increase; and the existing ventilation system has sufficient capacity to meet the Threshold Limit Values requirement.

The potential environmental effect of the requested change to the Development as Licensed is insignificant and considered to be a minor alteration in accordance with Section 14(2) of The Environment Act. Approval is hereby granted for the proposed alterations to the Development as described in the May 19, 2020 submission.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Winsor, P.Eng., Environmental Engineer, at Jennifer.Winsor@gov.mb.ca.

Yours sincerely,

Original Signed By

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