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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 the July 6, 2021 submission by Stantec on behalf of Vale Canada Ltd. is acknowledged as a notice of alteration in accordance with Section 14 of The Environment Act.

The requested changes to the Development as licensed are the construction and operation of a new Return Air Raise (RAR), electrical building, access road and surface water management. The information provided states that the 345 RAR will be removed from service and that no changes to mine production, ore transportation (or rock hauling) to the existing mill, increases in tailings placement in the Tailings Management Area, or process water management will occur.

The potential environmental effect of the requested changes 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 construction and operation of the new RAR and associated works, including all proposed mitigation measures, as described in the July 6, 2021 submission.

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

Yours sincerely,

Original signed by,

Laura Pyles, Acting Director The Environment Act

cc. Kristal Harman, Yvonne Hawryliuk – Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Eshetu Beshada, Jennifer Winsor – Environmental Approvals Public Registry