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July 4, 1994

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Mr. J.M. Maris  
President  
Agate Bay Resources Ltd.  
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Vancouver, B.C.  
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Dear Mr. Maris:

**Re: Inspection - Kamad Property, May 12, 1994  
Waste Dump Concerns**

This will acknowledge your letter in response to the above noted report in which you request advice in taking corrective action.

Regarding the potential instability of the 2200 dump material, it appeared feasible to load out accessible material, but a closer investigation is necessary to evaluate this idea.

I am referring this matter to Mr. Tim Eaton, Manager of Geotechnical Engineering, Mine Review and Permitting Branch, requesting his comments, and will review the situation following my return from vacation on August 2nd, 1994.

Yours very truly,

For F.J.T. Hancock, P.Eng.  
Inspector of Mines and Resident Engineer  
Mine Health and Safety Branch

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Enclosures

cc: / T.M. Eaton

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Mr. F.J.T.Hancock  
District Inspector and Resident Engineer  
Mine Health and Safety Branch  
200 2985 Airport Drive,  
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Dear Mr. Hancock,

thank you for your letter of June 6 in which you point out potential problems with the dumps at the Homestake Creek minesite. As you know, this property has now been inactive for several years and nobody from this office visits the property on any kind of a regular basis.

We shall proceed shortly with a plan to correct the problem. Again no one in this office has the technical ability to assess what has to be done and to budget for a cost-effective solution to the dump stabilization. Would a person from your office be available to meet our personnel up there and develop a plan for the remedial work or alternately could you recommend a local engineer who might develop such a plan. This would be the obvious first step.

I thank you for your help in this matter.

Yours truly,



J.M.Maris.  
President.

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**Report of Inspector of Mines  
(Issued pursuant to Section 15 of the Mines Act)**

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<b>Name of Mine:</b> KAMAD  <b>Owner or Operator:</b> Homestake Canada Ltd.  <b>Manager:</b>	<b>Locality:</b> 5 km west of Agate Bay NTS 82M/4W <b>Address:</b> 1000 - 700 West Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 1G5 <b>Areas Inspected:</b> Adit Portals, Waste Dumps, Tailings Pond
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**Persons Contacted**

Management:

OHS Committee:

Workers:

A copy has been forwarded to the Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee and the union. The mine manager shall complete the right hand column noting specific corrective actions taken, or to be taken by a specified date, and return a copy to the inspector within 15 days of receiving the report. Further, the manager shall post a copy to the bulletin board, to be replaced by a copy showing the manager's response. In this report, the Code refers to the Mines Act, Health, Safety and Reclamation Code for Mines in British Columbia.

Inspection Report	Manager's Response of Action Taken
<p>The property has been inactive for many years.</p> <p><b>Waste Dumps</b></p> <p>A local rancher, Wendell Huber, has communicated concerns regarding a slump in a waste dump located southeast of the 2200 portal above a waterfall in the Homestake Creek canyon. Further movement of this material into the creek may have substantial impact on an irrigation system, road culverts, agricultural land and creek water quality.</p>	<div style="font-size: 4em; font-weight: bold; letter-spacing: 0.5em;">COPY</div>

Copies To:

F.J.T. Hancock P.Eng


District Inspector and Resident Engineer, MHS

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Date of Inspection: May 12, 1994

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Signature - Inspector

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Signature - Manager

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_

