



Office of the Minister
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October 26, 2005

Bruce Donald, Reclamation Manager
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Environmental and Corporate Affairs
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Dear Mr. Donald:

**Re: Request for Temporary Closure Extension
Quartz Mining Licence QML-0004 – Sa Dena Hes Mine**

On August 31, 2005, Energy, Mines and Resources received a request for an extension to your Temporary Closure status for the Sa Dena Hes Mine in southeast Yukon.

I am satisfied that this does not pose any additional environmental risk and therefore authorize the extension of the Temporary Closure from November 30, 2005 and continuing up to and including January 28, 2010.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Archie Lang". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

Archie Lang
Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources

cc: Angus Robertson, Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines & Resources
Joanne Oberg, Manager, Mining Land Use
Yukon Water Board, Judi White, Manager