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Mr. Richard Sims Chairman, Alaska Water Resources Board Water Management Section Alaska Dept. of Natural Resources 555 Cordova Street Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Dear Dick:

On behalf of the members and staff of the Yukon Territory Water Board (and I am sure I speak for our colleagues from Yellowknife as well), I would like to thank you for a very pleasant and instructive visit to your state capital and your Board meetings.

We learned that, while our systems may be different, some of the water management issues we face are similar, especially those related to the setting of appropriate water quality standards for placer mining and other sectors. I believe we have also been given a fore-taste of some of the questions we will be addressing in the future as Yukon sees further development of its natural resources and an increasing population.

My thanks too to your staff who made special efforts to accommodate us and to make our stay in Juneau a thoroughly enjoyable one.

I believe the Yukon Board will do well to keep in close contact with those responsible for water management in both Alaska and the Northwest Territories in future and look forward to further useful exchanges as time goes on.

Sincerely,

Emile (Me1) Stehelin,

Chairman