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**Subject: Change of Environmental Monitoring Station Location
Ambrosia Lake Facility
License No: SUA-1473 Docket No: 40-8905**

Dear Ms. Caverly:

As a result of on-going mine reclamation activities at the Ambrosia Lake facility, Rio Algom's Mining LLC requests an amendment of one of the current approved environmental monitoring locations. This amendment is necessary as it is anticipated that by February 2003, electrical power will no longer be available at the current location, Section 17 ventilation hole #4. This monitoring station is approximately 3.5 miles northeast of the mill facility and provides environmental monitoring data that reflects the nearest resident to the mill.

Rio Algom requests that a new sampling location be established at the nearest available electrical power source, which is approximately 500 feet southeast from the existing site. Relocating the station to this point will continue to provide data that will be representative of the nearest resident. This relocation is expected to be completed by the end of February 2003.

If you have any questions, please call me at (404) 858-4807.

Sincerely,

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