

# Rio Algom Mining LLC

July 20, 2007

ADDRESSEE ONLY

Mr. Tom McLaughlin, Project Manager  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Mail Stop T-8F5  
Washington, DC 20555

Re: **License SUA-1473 Docket 40-8905  
Change in RSO Responsibilities**

Dear Mr. McLaughlin,

This letter is to inform you that Rio Algom Mining LLC is making a Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) change under NRC license # SUA-1473. As of August 15, 2007, Mr. Peter Luthiger will no longer be employed by Rio Algom and the duty of RSO will be assumed by Mr. Don Sweeney.

Mr. Sweeney has been an employee of Rio Algom for the past 37 years and under the direction of Mr. Luthiger, Mr. Sweeney has been directly involved in radiation safety and environmental programs at Ambrosia Lake for 14 years. Since 2004, Mr. Sweeney has served as the Environmental Department Supervisor and is responsible for the day to day health physics and environmental monitoring programs associated with the ongoing reclamation and decommissioning projects. From 1993 through 2004, Mr. Sweeney was a health physics and environmental technician responsible for performing the monitoring and surveillance activities required under the license.

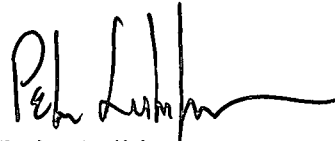
Mr. Sweeney has an Associates of Sciences degree in Electronics Engineering Technology and has successfully completed a Radiation Safety Officer training class.

On August 15, 2007 when Mr. Luthiger leaves the company, Mr. Sweeney will assume 100% responsibility for the continued successful oversight and management of the radiation protection program at the Ambrosia Lake facility.

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License amendment is hereby requested authorizing this change in Radiation Safety Officer. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me at (505) 287-8851.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Luthiger", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Peter Luthiger  
Manager, Radiation Safety  
and Environmental Affairs

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