

## Statement of Completion for a Category B Project

### *Class Environmental Assessment for Activities of the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines under the Mining Act*

#### **Pardo Bulk Sample Project**

The Ministry of Northern Development and Mines (MNDM) has completed its assessment on Inventus Mining Corporation's (Inventus) Pardo Bulk Sample Project. Inventus plans to extract a bulk sample from the "Trench #1 site" on the Pardo joint venture project. The project is located on mining claim 4202512 in Clement Township, approximately 65 kilometres northeast of Sudbury, Ontario. The purpose of the bulk sampling project is to expose and extract the gold-mineralized rock and to test the gold content of it. The sample material excavated and removed from the site is proposed to be less than 999 tonnes.

The Category B screening, consultation and project review was carried out in accordance with the *Class Environmental Assessment for MNDM's Activities under the Mining Act* (Class EA).

MNDM received comments from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF). MNRF advised MNDM that the risk of encountering or damaging species at risk (SAR) or their habitat is low given that the majority of the proposed site has already been cleared. However, there is a chance of encountering SAR or SAR habitat on previously disturbed routes or harassing species on undisturbed land that is adjacent to the project site. MNRF has advised MNDM that they recommend that an appropriate level of site assessment be conducted prior to site alteration to ensure appropriate avoidance or mitigation of impacts to SAR or their habitat. This recommendation was passed on to the proponent by MNDM. The proponent will be responsible for ensuring planned activities do not contravene the Endangered Species Act.

No other comments were received.

If the project does not proceed to production, the applicant will rehabilitate the site to the standards of O. Reg. 308/12 and if it does proceed to production the applicant will rehabilitate the site to the standards of O.Reg. 240/00.

MNDM will implement the disposition as planned.

Approved by:

*Original signed by Gordon MacKay*

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