Mining Lands Administration System Update



Updated Claim Management Policies Introduced

Revisions Reflect Changes to Ontario Mining Act

The Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines (ENDM) has updated the first three of its policies relating to mining claim management. These changes result from modernizing Ontario's Mining Act and the implementation of our online 24/7 Mining Lands Administration System (MLAS).

Get to Know the Updated Policies

We encourage our clients to familiarize themselves with the updated policies. They provide direction to claim holders and decision makers where there is an application for:

- 1) exclusions of time;
- 2) extensions of time; and
- 3) relieving an unpatented mining claim from forfeiture, pursuant to sections 49 and 185 of the *Mining Act*.

The updated policies contain important information you need to know when you apply for an order. Clients should review the applicable policy before applying for the order they are seeking, to familiarize themselves with the requirements and ensure their application contains all the required items.

What's New?

The updated policies cover the following topics:

- background information about the claim management process, the discretionary orders that may be requested to support claim management and how these orders affect mining claims;
- mandatory conditions and requirements including the circumstances in which a discretionary order may be requested, and the documents required to submit a complete application;
- the detailed information that must be provided to support an application for an order and the evidence that will be considered in deciding to grant an order;
- excerpts from relevant sections of the Mining Act and its regulations; and
- important terms and definitions.

You can view the updated policies online. Under subsection 35(2) of Ontario's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the Ministry is required to make these available for public viewing in a reading room or designated office. The Ministry has chosen the Internet as the reading room through which it can reach as many of its clients as possible.

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