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Mr. Pierre Gratton  
President and CEO  
Mining Association of Canada  
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**Re: Letter of Assurance**

Dear Pierre:

On behalf of Barrick Gold Corporation, we are pleased to provide the following assurance statement regarding the verification of our TSM (Towards Sustainable Mining) performance in 2013.

Barrick has a process in place to verify the information provided to the Mining Association of Canada (MAC) with respect to the Company's TSM performance indicators.

The "TSM Verification Process" included an independent review performed by SNC-Lavalin. The verifier assessed the Company's TSM performance indicator results as measured against the requirements of MAC's Towards Sustainable Mining Performance Indicators at our Hemlo Operations.

The review examined all aspects of TSM for the period ending December 31, 2013. The auditor confirmed Hemlo's self-assessment with the exception of three indicators. Two of the rating indicators were lowered and one indicator was increased by the independent audit.

Hemlo's site indicators have been modified accordingly.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Sokalsky", is written over the typed name.

Jamie Sokalsky  
President and Chief Executive Officer