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Ms. Julie Gelfand
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Dear Julie:

Re: Letter of Assurance – MAC (TSM)

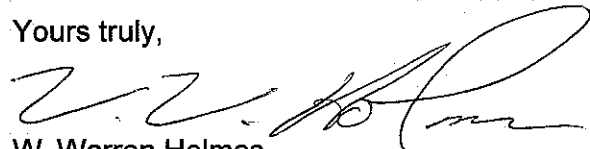
HudBay Minerals Inc. (HudBay) has a process in place at its subsidiary Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co., Limited (HBMS) to verify the information provided to the Mining Association of Canada (MAC) with respect to HudBay's performance relative to MAC's Towards Sustainable Mining (TSM) performance indicators.

The verification process consisted of an independent review performed by Mr. Robert Duda of Managed Process Consulting Inc. Robert assessed HudBay's TSM performance indicator results through document review and a site visit.

The verification provides reasonable assurance that the reported results for the period ending December 31, 2009 accurately reflect HudBay's performance.

The requirements of the TSM program have been embedded into the management systems at HBMS. These management systems are certified to the internationally recognized ISO 14001:2004 Environmental Management System Standard and to the OHSAS 18001:2007 Occupational Health and Safety Management System specification.

Yours truly,



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Attachments

cc: Shirley Neault
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