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Mr. Gordon Peeling President and CEO Mining Association of Canada 1105-350 Sparks Street Ottawa, Ontario, K1R 7S8

Dear Gordon,

Subject:

TSM External Verification of 2006 Performance Assessments

We are pleased to provide the following assurance statement with respect to the external verification of our reported TSM performance in 2006.

Teck Cominco Limited has a process in place to verify the information provided to the Mining Association of Canada ("MAC") with respect to the company's Towards Sustainable Mining ("TSM") Performance Indicators.

The "TSM Verification Process" included an independent review performed by Managed Process Consulting Inc. The verifier assessed the company's reported TSM performance indicator results as measured against the requirements of MAC's *Towards Sustainable Mining Performance Indicators* at our Trail Operations and Highland Valley Copper Mine.

The review confirms that the reported results for the period ending December 31, 2006 fairly state the company's performance.

Sincerely yours,

Donald R. Lindsay

President and Chief Executive Officer