



## TSM Verification Summary Report

Name of company	New Gold Inc.
Name of facility	New Afton Mine <b>Note:</b> <i>New Gold Inc. owns 100% of the New Afton Mine.</i>
Address	New Gold Inc. New Afton Mine 4050 W Trans-Canada Highway, Kamloops, BC, V1S 2A3  <b>Note:</b> <i>New Gold Inc.'s New Afton Mine is located approximately 10km west of Kamloops and 350km northeast of Vancouver in British Columbia, Canada.</i>
Country of operation	Canada
Products/metals produced on site	New Afton Mine (New Afton) is an underground block caving operation. The principal metals produced at the mine are copper and gold, and gold in copper concentrates.  <b>Note:</b> <i>More information about New Afton's operations can be found on their website at: <a href="https://newafton.newgold.com/about/">https://newafton.newgold.com/about/</a></i>
Types of operations included in scope:	
Mining	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Block Cave Mining:</b>  New Afton uses an underground mass mining method called block caving, which allows for the economic extraction of larger and lower grade deposits compared to traditional underground mining methods. The New Afton Mine is currently the only operating block cave mine in Canada.  New Gold Inc. began construction and development of the New Afton Mine in 2007, and reached commercial production in July 2012.  The mine occupies the site of the historic Afton open pit mine, which operated from 1977 until 1997.

	<p><b>Tailings:</b></p> <p>The mine maintains four tailings storage facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The New Afton Tailings Storage Facility (NATSF) - Active</li> <li>- The Pothook Tailings Storage Facility (Pothook TSF) – Active</li> <li>- The Afton Pit Storage Facility (APTSF), where the Site is currently depositing its Thickened Amended Tailings (TAT) – Active.</li> <li>- The Historic Afton Tailings Storage Facility (HATSF) - Currently in care and maintenance.</li> </ul> <p>Water within the NATSF and Pothook TSF is continuously reclaimed and reused throughout the milling process (see below).</p> <p>New Afton maintains a qualified “Engineer of Record” for all four of the Facilities listed above. The Engineer of Record oversees dam design, reviews construction, and completes dam safety and monitoring inspections.</p> <p>Additionally, an Independent Tailings Review Board reviews all aspects of tailings management from a third-party perspective, with the intent of identifying and minimizing any potential risks.</p>
Milling	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Milling including custom milling:</b></p> <p>New Afton’s processing plant consists of grinding, flotation, and gravity circuits. The processing plant produces concentrate, which is sold to intermediaries and transported to smelters for further processing.</p>
Smelting	<p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A – see above</p>
Hydrometallurgical	<p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
Refining	<p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
Other ( <i>please explain</i> )	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other operations included in the scope of the present Verification included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Administration</li> <li>- Assay Lab located near the main administration building, close to the “Warehouse and Mobile Maintenance”.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Batch Plant, located up from the “Fountain Tire shop”</li> <li>- Water Treatment (small scale for process water at the Site)</li> <li>- Power substation (small scale, not a plant)</li> <li>- Warehouse and Mobile Maintenance (in-house electrical, HVAC services, and HD mechanics)</li> <li>- Fountain Tire Shop that operates externally within the mine property grounds to handle tires.</li> </ul> <p>The site includes an inactive and dewatered open pit and other historic facilities.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> <i>New Afton is situated on the Stk’emlupsemc te Secwépemc territory, within the unceded traditional lands of the Secwépemc nation.</i></p>
Types of infrastructure included in scope:	
Roads	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A - <u>No</u> major highways pass <u>through</u> the site. Roads are not included in scope.
Rails	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A - Not included in scope.
Ports	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A - Not included in scope.
Other ( <i>please explain</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

## Verifier and Verification Information

Verification firm	Envirochem Services Inc.
Confirmation that all verifiers involved in the verification are accredited TSM verifiers	Yes
Date(s) of verification activities (dd/mm/yyyy – dd/mm/yyyy)	<p><b>Document Review:</b> 07/10/2024 – 21/10/2024</p> <p><b>Site Visit (On-site - Facility):</b> 15/10/2024 – 18/10/2024</p> <p><b>Virtual and In-Person Interviews:</b> 10/10/2024 – 21/10/2024</p> <p><b>Community of Interest (COI) Interviews:</b> 03/10/2024 – 18/10/2024</p> <p><b>Reporting:</b> 21/10/2024 – 31/10/2024</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Also see “Summary of the verification activities” below for further details.</p>
Verification period	January 1, 2023 – October 21, 2024 (2023/2024 to October 21, 2024)
Summary of the verification methodology	<p>This is the third external Mining Association of Canada (MAC) Towards Sustainable Mining (TSM) Verification completed for the Facility.</p> <p>The verification of the Facility’s 2023/2024 Corporate and Facility-level self-assessments was conducted by Neil Allen of Envirochem Services Inc., in accordance with MAC’s requirements for TSM Verifications available at: <a href="https://mining.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Verification-Guide-2024-ENGLISH-march-11-2024.pdf">https://mining.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Verification-Guide-2024-ENGLISH-march-11-2024.pdf</a></p> <p>Neil Allen is an accredited Verification Service Provider (VSP) certified by MAC and fully meets the requirements of the Terms of Reference for Verification Service Providers established by them.</p> <p>The verification was completed to the level required for a limited assurance engagement, following the guidance in the following MAC and related ISO 19011 and ISAE 3000 Standards and Documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MAC’s “Terms of Reference for Verifiers” (updated on March 26, 2024) available at: <a href="https://mining.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/TOR-for-verifiers-2024-ENGLISH-march-11-2024-1.pdf">https://mining.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/TOR-for-verifiers-2024-ENGLISH-march-11-2024-1.pdf</a></li> <li>- Requirements of MAC’s “Towards Sustainable Mining Verification Guide” available at: <a href="https://mining.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Verification-Guide-2024-ENGLISH-march-11-2024.pdf">https://mining.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Verification-Guide-2024-ENGLISH-march-11-2024.pdf</a></li> <li>- ISO 19011:2018 “Guidelines for auditing management systems”</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- “ISAE 3000 (Revised), Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information” – the latest ISAE (International Standard on Assurance Engagements) Standard for reasonable and limited assurance engagements other than audits or reviews of historical financial information available at: <a href="https://www.iaasb.org/publications/international-standard-assurance-engagements-isae-3000-revised-assurance-engagements-other-audits-or">https://www.iaasb.org/publications/international-standard-assurance-engagements-isae-3000-revised-assurance-engagements-other-audits-or</a></li> </ul> <p>All on-site and off-site verification activities for the assignment, including the on-site audit activities at the Kamloops, BC New Afton Mine between October 15 and October 18, 2024, and virtual interviews completed with Corporate office personal in Toronto on October 10, 11, and 21, were completed in accordance with the Verifier’s “Confirmation Letter and Verification Audit Plan” submitted to MAC and New Gold prior to the verification activities described above and approved by MAC on September 16, 2024 (i.e., prior to the one-site and off-site Verification activities).</p> <p>Verification activities included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Document review from October 7, 2024 to October 21, 2024.</li> <li>- Virtual and in-person interviews with Corporate and Facility-level personnel completed between October 10, 2024 to October 21, 2024.</li> <li>- On-site observations during the site visit to the New Afton Mine completed between October 15, 2024, and October 18, 2024.</li> <li>- On-site and virtual (MS-Teams and email) interviews with representative COIs from October 3, 2024 to October 18, 2024.</li> </ul> <p>Further information on the Verification Service Provider, scope of work for the assignment, sampling methodology, and MAC-TSM-approved methodology for the verification are provided in the “Summary of the verification activities” below and elsewhere in this report, as well as in the latest email Proposal and “Confirmation Letter and Verification Audit Plan” for this assignment approved by New Gold and MAC.</p>
<p>Summary of the verification activities</p>	<p><b>On-site activities for the Verification:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- An in-person Familiarization Tour of the New Afton Mine and surrounding areas on Tuesday, October 15, 2024.</li> <li>- Virtual (Corporate and some Facility) and in-person (Facility-level and some Corporate-level personal based at the mine) interviews, along with a review of readily available documentation with key personnel and staff responsible for completing the self-assessments for each protocol. This included a sample of other employees, such as workers not directly involved in the preparation of the self-assessments,</li> </ul>

	<p>regarding key requirements of the protocols being verified from October 10, 2024 to October 21, 2024.</p> <p><b>COI Interviews:</b></p> <p>A selection of Community of Interest (COI) interviews were also completed with the following groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Virtual interview with a member of a local indigenous group</li> <li>- In-person interviews with representatives of two on-site contractors</li> <li>- Additional brief email and fact-based COI interviews were also completed with six other COIs, who contacted the Verifier at their own initiative between October 3, 2024, and October 15, 2024, following the advance verification notice provided to the Mine’s COIs by New Gold and MAC.</li> </ul> <p><b>Interview Summary:</b></p> <p>In total, more than thirty-two interviews were completed for the Verification, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Three in-depth COI interviews</li> <li>- Twenty-nine virtual and in-person interviews with full-time New Gold Employees</li> </ul> <p>Interviews with COIs and workers (employees and contractors) were conducted in a manner that allowed the interviewees to speak confidently and comfortably with the Verifier.</p> <p>Most interviews, especially those conducted as part of the group-based document review sessions for each protocol, were pre-selected by the site. Others were spontaneous and informal, taking place at various locations on-site. In all cases, interviews were selected and/or conducted based on the professional judgment of the Verifier.</p> <p><b>Virtual Interviews and Document Review:</b></p> <p>Prior to arriving on-site (October 10 and 11) and on October 21, the Verifier also completed virtual interviews and document review for selected protocols with representatives of New Gold’s Corporate office in Toronto (via MS Teams and email from the Verifier’s offices in Vancouver, Canada on October 10, 11, and 21).</p> <p>Additional preliminary document review and email communications were also completed with the organization prior to arriving on-site (from late September to October 11, 2024).</p> <p><b>Reporting:</b></p> <p>Reporting for the Verification (this report) was completed between October 21, 2024, to October 31, 2024.</p>
Was a site visit conducted?	Yes

## Summary of Findings

**Summary Table: Overview of Verification Results (2023/2024 Performance):**

TSM Assessment Criteria:		Verified Ratings	
		New Gold Corporate:	New Afton Mine:
<b>Biodiversity Conservation Management</b>	Indicator 1 – <u>Corporate Biodiversity Conservation Commitment, Accountability and Communications</u>	AA	-
	Indicator 2 – Biodiversity Conservation Planning and Implementation	-	AAA
	Indicator 3 - Biodiversity Conservation Reporting	-	AAA
<b>Climate Change</b>	Indicator 1 – <u>Corporate Climate Change Management</u>	A	-
	Indicator 2 - Facility Climate Change Management		AA
	Indicator 3 – Facility Performance Targets and Reporting		AA
<b>Crisis Management and Communications Planning</b>	Indicator 1 – Crisis Management and Communications Preparedness (Corporate and Facility)	Yes	Yes
	Indicator 2 – Review (Corporate and Facility)	Yes	Yes
	Indicator 3 – Training (Corporate and Facility)	Yes	Yes
	Indicator 1 - Community of Interest (COI) Identification		AAA

		<b>Verified Ratings</b>	
<b>TSM Assessment Criteria:</b>		<i>New Gold Corporate:</i>	<i>New Afton Mine:</i>
<b>Indigenous and Community Relationships</b>	Indicator 2 - Effective COI Engagement and Dialogue		AA
	Indicator 3 – Effective Indigenous Engagement and Dialogue		AAA
	Indicator 4 – Community Impact and Benefit Management		AAA
	Indicator 5 - COI Response Mechanism		AAA
<b>Preventing of Child and Forced Labour</b>	Indicator 1 - Preventing Forced Labour		Yes
	Indicator 2 - Preventing Child Labour		Yes
<b>Safety and Health</b>	Indicator 1 - Commitments and Accountability		AAA
	Indicator 2 – Planning and Implementation		AAA
	Indicator 3 - Training, Behaviour and Culture		AAA
	Indicator 4 - Monitoring and Reporting		AAA
	Indicator 5 - Performance		AA
<b>Tailings Management</b>	Indicator 1 - Tailings Management Policy and Commitment		AAA
	Indicator 2 - Assigned Accountability and Responsibility for Tailings Management		AAA
	Indicator 3 - Tailings Management System and Emergency Preparedness		AAA
	Indicator 4 - Operation, Maintenance and Surveillance (OMS) Manual		AAA
	Indicator 5 - Annual Tailings Management Review		AAA
	Indicator 1 - Water Governance		AAA



		<b>Verified Ratings</b>	
<b>TSM Assessment Criteria:</b>		<i>New Gold Corporate:</i>	<i>New Afton Mine:</i>
<b>Water Stewardship</b>	Indicator 2 - Operational Water Management		AAA
	Indicator 3 - Watershed-scale Planning		AAA
	Indicator 4 - Water Reporting and Performance		AAA

<b>Criterion</b>	<b>Rating</b> <i>C, B, A, AA or AAA (unless otherwise indicated)</i>	<b>Examples of Evidence Consulted and Criteria Missing to Achieve Level A</b>
<b>Biodiversity Conservation Management</b>		
1. <u>Corporate</u> biodiversity conservation commitment, accountability, and communications	AA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>New Gold met the Corporate-level requirements for Level AA of Indicator 1 of the Biodiversity Conservation Management Protocol.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of some of the evidence reviewed during the verification of this indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New Gold Inc.'s 2023 ESG Report Overview document (available at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Overview_final_interactive_sm.pdf">https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Overview_final_interactive_sm.pdf</a>)</li> <li>- New Gold Inc.'s Corporate Sustainability and Safety Policy, last reviewed and approved by New Gold's Board of Directors on October 25, 2023.</li> <li>- The New Afton Site's Environment and Social Responsibility Policy (ENV-PLCY-001-0001), approved by the Site's General Manager Jeff LaMarsh on November 23, 2023.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with personnel responsible for preparing the self-assessment for this indicator, including New Gold's Director of Corporate Sustainability and key staff at the Mine.</li> </ul>
2. Biodiversity conservation planning and implementation	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the Facility-level requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 2.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Evidence reviewed included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of documentation on Company and Facility-level investments in research and development to enhance the industry's understanding of and contribution to biodiversity conservation, science, and traditional knowledge.</li> <li>- Evidence of contributions to greater scientific understanding on biodiversity protection.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Evidence of funding supporting projects to enhance biodiversity in areas outside of the facility’s property.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with personnel responsible for completing the Facility’s self-assessment for this indicator across different levels (Level A to Level AAA). These included interviews with Workers at the facility, as well as detailed discussions with Corporate and Facility-level Managers.</li> </ul>
<p>3. Biodiversity conservation reporting</p>	<p>AAA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier also confirms that the Facility met the Level AAA requirements under Indicator 3.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Some examples of the type of evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Page 4 of New Gold’s ESG Reporting Procedure (Document Number: SUS-PRCD-0001), approved on January 12, 2024, describing the internal review process for collected Site-based data, which is completed at the Corporate level prior to publication of its annual ESG Report.</li> <li>- Existing feedback mechanisms at the facility for biodiversity conservation reporting.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with personnel responsible for completing the Site’s self-assessment for this indicator, including an interview with New Gold’s Director of Corporate Sustainability and email communication with New Gold’s Corporate Sustainability Analyst regarding the internal review process outlined on Page 4 of New Gold’s ESG Reporting Procedure.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> As per MAC-TSM requirements, the Company’s latest publicly available disclosure documentation is available at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/">https://sustainability.newgold.com/</a> . See the reports listed under heading “2023 ESG Reports”, including New Gold’s “Overview Report” at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Overview_final_interactive_sm.pdf">https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Overview_final_interactive_sm.pdf</a> and “Environmental Report” at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Environmental_final_Interactive_sm.pdf">https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Environmental_final_Interactive_sm.pdf</a></p>

<b>Climate Change</b>		
1. <u>Corporate</u> climate change management	A	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that New Gold met the requirements for Level A under Corporate-level Indicator 1 of MAC’s Climate Change Management Protocol.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Information reported to New Gold’s 2023 ESG Report (Environmental) and 2023 Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures Report (TCFD Report), and other documents supporting the achievement of Level A for this indicator including a Decarbonization Transition Plan Proposal for New Gold prepared by Thorn Associates on July 26, 2024 and Weekly Production Reports for 2024.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Detailed interviews with Corporate and Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessments for this indicator and supplying the information supporting the assertions included therein.</li> </ul>
2. Facility climate change management	AA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AA under Indicator 2 of MAC’s Climate Change Management Protocol.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MICONE Consulting Inc.’s June 2022 Verification Report on the facility’s GHG emissions assertion for reporting year 2021 and accompanying CleanBC Industrial Incentive Program Verification Statement and Conflict of Interest Report prepared under the BC GHG Industrial Reporting and Control Act and the BC GHG Emission Reporting Regulation, in accordance with the requirements of ISO 14064-3:2019.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> While a report of this type, designed to validate and verify a given Company’s GHG assertions, generally involves some review of an organization’s GHG management systems - including its policies, procedures, and controls to ensure data effectiveness and reliability - verification reports such as the one completed by MICONE, in accordance with the requirements of ISO 14064-3:2019, cannot, on their own, be used as a stand-in for an “Audit” of a site’s GHG Emissions Management System under Level AA of Indicator 2.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ISO 50001 internal Audit (2022).</li> <li>- Climate Gap Assessment Report completed by Thorn Associates (May 9, 2024).</li> <li>- Climate Steering Committee PowerPoint slides (June 10, 2024).</li> <li>- EMS Annual Orientation PowerPoint Slides and Environment Orientation Training Slides (2024 versions).</li> <li>- Updated 2024 ENV-CHRT-4014 (COI matrix).</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Detailed interviews and follow-up emails conducted with corporate and facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator.</li> </ul>
<p>3. Facility performance targets and reporting</p>	<p>AA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AA under Facility-level Indicator 3 of MAC’s Climate Change Management protocol.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MICONE Consulting Inc.’s June 2022 Verification Report and accompanying CleanBC Industrial Incentive Program Verification Statement and Conflict of Interest Report referenced under Indicator 2 above.</li> <li>- New Gold’s 2023 ESG Report (Environmental) and 2023 Task TCFD Report available at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/">https://sustainability.newgold.com/</a>.</li> <li>- New Afton’s Returning Land Use Plan (RLUP) annual report and Water Quality Model Reporting reviewed under the MAC-TSM Water Stewardship Protocol discussed below.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with corporate and facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> As per MAC-TSM requirements, a copy of the Company’s latest publicly available disclosure documentation / reporting (e.g., New Gold’s 2023 Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures Report), is available at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/">https://sustainability.newgold.com/</a> . See report listed under heading “2023 TCFD Report” as follows:  <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_TCFD-2024_final_interactive_sm.pdf">https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_TCFD-2024_final_interactive_sm.pdf</a></p>

<b>Crisis Management and Communications Planning – CORPORATE (YES or NO)</b>		
<p>1. <u>Corporate Crisis Management and Communications Preparedness</u></p>	<p>YES</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility’s Corporate Office met the requirements for a “Yes” under Corporate Indicator 1.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence reviewed during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of New Gold’s latest Corporate Crisis Communication Management Plan, approved by Patrick Godin, President and CEO New Gold Inc., and related documents, including risk matrix.</li> <li>- Detailed interviews with Corporate-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator.</li> <li>- The protocol lead for this indicator also provided additional information via email, related to Criterion 6 (media and stakeholder contact information and engagement) and Criterion 9 (designated crisis control center).</li> </ul>
<p>2. <u>Corporate Review</u></p>	<p>YES</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility’s Corporate Office met the requirements for a “Yes” under Indicator 2.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of document control information for the Company’s latest President and CEO-approved Corporate Crisis Communication Management Plan. Other supporting documents for the assertions made under this indicator were also reviewed, including examples of alert mechanisms.</li> <li>- Detailed interviews with Corporate-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the supporting information for the assertions made.</li> <li>- The protocol lead for this indicator also provided additional information via email, confirming that new Corporate Crisis Management Team members are familiarized with the Corporate Crisis Management and Communications Plan within two months of joining the team, as required by Criterion 5 of Corporate Indicator 2.</li> </ul>

3. <u>Corporate Training</u>	YES	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility’s Corporate Office met the requirements for a “Yes” under Indicator 3.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of evidence reviewed during the verification included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Documented evidence of a team exercise included as part of New Gold’s December 15, 2023, Crisis Communication Workshop presentation.</li> <li>- Detailed interviews with Corporate-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the supporting information for the assertions made.</li> </ul>
<b>Crisis Management and Communications Planning - FACILITY (YES or NO)</b>		
1. Facility Crisis Management and Communications Preparedness	YES	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for a “Yes” under Facility Indicator 1.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence reviewed during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of the Company’s Crisis Management Plan on SharePoint and related Emergency preparedness and response procedures including Crisis Management and Mine Emergency Response Plan and ICS forms, New Afton Crisis Management Team contact list, meeting minutes, and training material documentation.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Detailed interviews with Facility and Corporate-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the supporting information for its assertions.</li> </ul>
2. Facility Review	YES	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for a “Yes” under Indicator 2.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of relevant INX and other documentation supporting the requirements of Indicator 2, including emails showing that the Facility’s Crisis Management Plan had been shared with the Corporate office and new members of the Facility-level Crisis Management team as required.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Detailed interviews with the Facility and Corporate-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the information supporting its assertions were also completed.</li> </ul>
3. Facility Training	YES	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for a “Yes” under Indicator 3.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of records related to a 2023 stench gas deployment at the Facility.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Detailed interviews with the Facility and Corporate-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the supporting information for the assertions made.</li> </ul>
<b>Indigenous and Community Relationships</b>		
1. Community of Interest (COI) Identification	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 1.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Some examples of the type of evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New Afton’s Community of Interest Identification and Analysis Procedure (CMM-PRCD-001-0003)</li> <li>- Updated 2024 ENV-CHRT-4014 (COI matrix)</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representative individuals or groups outside the organization (interviews with select COIs).</li> <li>- Interviews and follow-up emails with facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator.</li> </ul>



<p>2. Effective COI Engagement and Dialogue</p>	<p>AA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AA under Indicator 2 of MAC’s Indigenous and Community Relationships Protocol.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of evidence reviewed during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SSN NG Effectiveness of Engagement Survey.</li> <li>- 2024 Feedback group documentation.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representative individuals or groups outside the organization (interviews with select COIs).</li> <li>- Interviews and follow-up emails with facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator.</li> </ul>
<p>3. Effective Indigenous Engagement and Dialogue</p>	<p>AAA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 3.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Some examples of the types of evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meeting Agenda and Minutes for Feedback Group Meeting.</li> <li>- Meeting Agendas and Minutes for SSN and New Gold Joint Working Group Meeting.</li> <li>- General Orientation Slides.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representative individuals or groups outside the organization (interviews with select COIs).</li> <li>- Detailed interviews with personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supply of supporting information.</li> </ul>

<p>4. Community Impact and Benefit Management</p>	<p>AAA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 4.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Some examples of the type of evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Updated 2024 ENV-CHRT-4014 (COI matrix).</li> <li>- Community budget information.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representative individuals or groups outside the organization (interviews with select COIs).</li> <li>- Additional interviews and follow-up emails with facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator.</li> </ul>
<p>5. COI Response Mechanism</p>	<p>AAA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 5.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of the Company’s latest External Feedback Procedure (CMM-PRCD-001-0002), updated 2024 ENV-CHRT-4014 (COI matrix), and INX feedback reporting/tracking information.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representative individuals or groups outside the organization (interviews with select COIs).</li> <li>- Detailed interview sessions with the Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the supporting information for its assertions.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Preventing of Child and Forced Labour (Indicate YES or NO)</b></p>		
<p>1. Preventing Forced Labour</p>	<p>YES</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that suitable processes are in place as required to ensure forced labour is not used at the Facility.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of New Gold's latest Anti-Bribery, Anti-Corruption, and Anti-Modern Slavery Procedure Manual.</li> <li>- Employee Vendor Form</li> <li>- Vendor Information Form</li> <li>- Master Service Agreement template</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with Corporate-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the information supporting its assertions.</li> </ul>
<p>2. Preventing Child Labour</p>	<p>YES</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that suitable processes are in place as required to ensure child labour is not used at the Facility.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of Health, Safety and Reclamation Code for Mines in British Columbia.</li> <li>- Job Descriptions.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with Corporate and Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the information supporting its assertions.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Safety and Health</b></p>		
<p>1. Commitments and Accountability</p>	<p>AAA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 1.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of evidence consulted during the verification included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of key supporting information included in the Site's completed self-assessment for this indicator, including a copy of the Facility's current Health &amp; Safety Policy (SAF-PLCY-001-0001), approved by Jeff LaMarsh, General Manager at the Facility on June 13, 2024, relevant procedures, and information on its latest 2024 external COR Audit.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representatives of two contractors working at the site during the Verification week.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interviews with key personnel and support staff responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and providing supporting information, including the Site's Health &amp; Safety Manager and other key H&amp;S associates.</li> </ul>
2. Planning and Implementation	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 2.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of key supporting information included in the Site's completed self-assessment for this indicator, including a review of the Site's latest Health and Safety Management System Manual and related procedures, completed risk assessment and control measures documentation, workplace inspection policies and procedures, and selected inspection records in INX.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representatives of two contractors working at the site during the Verification week.</li> <li>- Interviews with key personnel and support staff responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and providing supporting information, including the Site's Health &amp; Safety Manager and other key H&amp;S associates.</li> </ul>
3. Training, Behaviour and Culture	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 3.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of some of the evidence consulted during the verification included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of key supporting information included in the Site's completed self-assessment for this indicator, including train-the-trainer certifications and annual performance reviews.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representatives of two contractors working at the site during the Verification week.</li> <li>- Interviews with key personnel and support staff responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and providing supporting information, including the Site's Health &amp; Safety Manager and other key H&amp;S associates.</li> </ul>

4. Monitoring and Reporting	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 4.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Key supporting information included with the Site’s completed self-assessment for this indicator, including monthly health and safety statistics, workplace inspection documentation, and audits, including 2024 external COR Audit and a compliance audit from a regulatory body.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representatives of two contractors working at the site during the Verification week.</li> <li>- Interviews with key personnel and support staff responsible for the self-assessment and supporting information, including the Site’s Health &amp; Safety Manager and other key H&amp;S associates.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> <i>As per MAC-TSM requirements, the Company’s latest publicly available disclosure documentation is available at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/">https://sustainability.newgold.com/</a>. See “Overview Report” at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Overview_final_interactive_sm.pdf">https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Overview_final_interactive_sm.pdf</a> and “Social Report” at <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Social_final_interactive_a.pdf">2023_Social_final_interactive_a.pdf</a> respectively.</i></p>
5. Performance	AA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility is only able to achieve Level AA under Indicator 5 since it has <u>not</u> been fatality-free over the past four-years as required by Level AAA, Criterion 1 of Indicator 5.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Key supporting information included with the Site’s completed self-assessment for this indicator, including lists of KPIs, documentation on monthly health and safety statistics, and posting of performance online and on safety boards across the site.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with representatives of two key contractors working at the site during the Verification week.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interviews with key personnel and support staff responsible for the self-assessment and supporting information, including the Site's Health &amp; Safety Manager and other key H&amp;S associates.</li> </ul>
<b>Tailings Management</b>		
1. Tailings management policy and commitment	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 1.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of evidence reviewed during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New Gold's Tailings Storage Facilities Management Policy</li> <li>- Completed MAC-TSM Table of Conformance (2022 version).</li> <li>- External Tailings Management and Water Stewardship TSM Audit prepared by Knight Piésold Ltd. on May 9, 2024, and reissued with minor edits describing evaluations of effectiveness of policies and commitments on October 21, 2024</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the Table of Conformance and supplying the supporting information for its assertions.</li> </ul>
2. Assigned accountability and responsibility for tailings management	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 2.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Evidence reviewed during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A detailed review of the external audit findings and conclusions included in Knight Piésold Ltd.'s External Tailings Management and Water Stewardship TSM Audit, reissued on October 21, 2024, and New Afton's completed MAC TSM Table of Conformance (2022 version).</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the Table of Conformance and supplying the supporting information for its assertions.</li> </ul>
3. Tailings management system and	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 3.</p>

<p>emergency preparedness</p>		<p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Evidence reviewed during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A detailed review of the external audit findings and conclusions included in Knight Piésold Ltd.'s Tailings Management and Water Stewardship TSM Audit, reissued on October 21, 2024, and New Afton's completed MAC TSM Table of Conformance (2022 version).</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the Table of Conformance and supplying the supporting information for its assertions.</li> </ul>
<p>4. Operation, maintenance, and surveillance (OMS) manual</p>	<p>AAA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 4.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Evidence reviewed during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A detailed review of the external audit findings and conclusions included in Knight Piésold Ltd.'s Tailings Management and Water Stewardship TSM Audit, reissued on October 21, 2024, and New Afton's completed MAC TSM Table of Conformance (2022 version).</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the Table of Conformance and supplying the supporting information for its assertions.</li> </ul>
<p>5. Annual tailings management review</p>	<p>AAA</p>	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 5.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Evidence reviewed during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A detailed review of the external audit findings and conclusions included in Knight Piésold Ltd.'s Tailings Management and Water Stewardship TSM Audit, reissued on October 21, 2024, and New Afton's completed MAC TSM Table of Conformance (2022 version).</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interviews with Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the Table of Conformance and supplying the supporting information for its assertions.</li> </ul>
<b>Water Stewardship</b>		
1. Water Governance	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 1.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of the key supporting information included in the Site’s completed self-assessment for this indicator, including evidence of senior management commitments, roles and responsibilities, an internal article on water stewardship at New Afton (available on New Afton’s public website), Risk Register, and organizational processes for tracking and correcting non-compliances.</li> <li>- Relevant 2023 ESG Reporting available at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/">https://sustainability.newgold.com/</a> , including “Governance Report” “Overview Report”, and “Environmental Report”.</li> <li>- Review of external audit findings and conclusions included in Knight Piésold Ltd.’s Tailings Management and Water Stewardship TSM Audit, reissued on October 21, 2024.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews conducted with various Corporate and Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and providing supporting information.</li> </ul>
2. Operational Water Management	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 2.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of key information included in the Facility’s completed self-assessment for this indicator, including its latest site-wide water balance prepared by Knight Piésold Ltd. in January 2024.</li> <li>- Review of external audit findings and conclusions included in Knight Piésold Ltd.’s Tailings Management and Water Stewardship TSM Audit, reissued on October 21, 2024.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> </ul>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Interviews conducted with the Corporate and Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and providing supporting information for its assertions.</li> </ul>
3. Watershed-scale Planning	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 3.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of key documents and information supporting the achievement of Level B, A, AA, and AAA for this indicator, including evidence of engagement with relevant water-related COIs to identify and prioritize water-related risks and opportunities in the watershed.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> </ul> <p>Interviews with Corporate and Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the information supporting its assertions.</p>
4. Water Reporting and Performance	AAA	<p><b>Verification Summary:</b></p> <p>The Verifier confirms that the Facility met the requirements for Level AAA under Indicator 4.</p> <p><b>Evidence Reviewed:</b></p> <p>Examples of just some of the evidence consulted during the verification of this Indicator included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Review of all the key supporting information included in the Site’s completed self-assessment for this indicator, including an example of weekly KPI reporting to senior management, and public reporting documentation related to water performance.</li> <li>- Information gathered during the familiarization tour of the Facility (relevant observations).</li> <li>- Interviews with Corporate and Facility-level personnel responsible for completing the self-assessment for this indicator and supplying the information supporting its assertions.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> As per MAC-TSM requirements, the Company’s latest publicly available disclosure documentation / reporting is available at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/">https://sustainability.newgold.com/</a> . See the reports listed under heading “2023 ESG Reports”, including New Gold’s “Governance Report” at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Governance_final_interactive_sm.pdf">2023_Governance_final_interactive_sm.pdf</a> , “Overview Report” at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Overview_final_interactive_sm.pdf">https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Overview_final_interactive_sm.pdf</a> and “Environmental Report” at: <a href="https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Environmental_final_Interactive_sm.pdf">https://sustainability.newgold.com/wp-content/uploads/2023_Environmental_final_Interactive_sm.pdf</a></p>

## Statement of Verification

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<p>The external verification was conducted in accordance with the <i>Terms of Reference for Verifiers</i> and, accordingly, consisted primarily of interviews, data analysis, and examination (on a sample basis) of other evidence relevant to management’s assertion of conformance to the requirements of the TSM performance indicators.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The external verification was conducted in accordance with the latest “TSM Verifier Terms of Reference” document, updated to March 26, 2024. The terms of reference document is available at: <a href="https://mining.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/TOR-for-verifiers-2024-ENGLISH-march-11-2024-1.pdf">https://mining.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/TOR-for-verifiers-2024-ENGLISH-march-11-2024-1.pdf</a></p>
<p>The scores indicated in this report are verified as being accurate based on the evidence reviewed during the external verification of this facility.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The scores in this report are considered accurate based on the results of the verification.</p>
<p>Limitations</p>	<p>Envirochem Services Inc. relied on information provided by New Gold’s New Afton Mine in Kamloops, BC, and New Gold’s Corporate Offices in Toronto for the verification of the Facility and Corporate-level indicators. The accuracy of this information has not been independently verified.</p>
<p>Additional comments</p>	<p>The goal of each MAC member is to achieve at least a Level “A” ranking or higher for all MAC-TSM protocols, except the Crisis Management and Communications Planning and the Prevention of Child and Forced Labour Protocols, which are rated as “Yes” or “No” for each indicator.</p> <p>The Facility has shown a strong commitment to the MAC-TSM program, demonstrating high transparency and dedication toward achieving the highest levels possible for each indicator.</p> <p><b>Key Achievements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Biodiversity Conservation Management:</b> Achieved an AAA ranking for all Indicators, except Indicator 1, which was rated as Level AA.</li> <li>- <b>Climate Change:</b> Achieved an AA ranking for all Indicators, except Indicator 1, which was rated as Level A.</li> <li>- <b>Crisis Management and Communications Planning:</b> Achieved a “Yes” for all Facility and Corporate-level Indicators.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Indigenous and Community Relationships:</b> Achieved an AAA ranking for all Indicators, except Indicator 2, which was rated as Level AA.</li> <li>- <b>Preventing of Child and Forced Labour:</b> Achieved a “Yes” for all Indicators</li> <li>- <b>Safety and Health:</b> Achieved an AAA ranking for all Indicators, except Indicator 5, which was rated as Level AA.</li> <li>- <b>Tailings Management:</b> Achieved an AAA ranking for all Indicators.</li> <li>- <b>Water Stewardship:</b> Achieved an AAA ranking for all Indicators.</li> </ul> <p><b>Verifier’s General Feedback:</b></p> <p>Envirochem’s Verifier appreciated the excellent support from management and operational personnel during the verification process. The openness and interest shown in the MAC-TSM Verification process were also appreciated.</p> <p>The Facility and New Gold’s Corporate office were also well-prepared, and their self-assessments were comprehensive and informative.</p>
Has an additional assurance statement been provided by the verifier?	No
Name of lead verifier	<p>Neil Allen, M.Sc., P.G.Dip.Env.Mngt, EP(EMSLA), EP(CEA), COR and CHSMSA</p> <p>Senior Auditor - EHS Assurance and Management Systems</p> <p>Envirochem Services Inc.</p>
Date of statement of verification	November 7, 2024
Signature of lead verifier	