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Office of the Minister

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Mr. Wally Bucknell
Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Bucknell:

Re: Environmental Assessment - Touquoy Gold Project

The environmental assessment of the Touquoy Gold Project has been completed.

This is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 18 (a) of the *Environmental Assessment Regulations*, pursuant to Part IV of the *Environment Act*. The project has been considered with respect to potential adverse effects and environmental effects, including effects on socio-economic conditions. I am satisfied following a review of the information provided by DDV Gold Limited, and through the government and public consultation as part of the environmental assessment, that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

This letter in conjunction with the attached terms and conditions constitutes my approval. This approval is subject to any other approvals required by statute or regulation, including approval pursuant to Part V of the *Environment Act*.

If you have any questions regarding the approval of this project, please contact the Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, Ms. Lorrie Roberts at (902) 424-6344.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

Mark Parent
Minister

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