

Our Ref: AE2-24-32478

Email only to:

Email:

Dalradian.CPI@pacni.gov.uk

15 April 2024

Dear [REDACTED],

RE: 2021/WHR01 – a Public Local Inquiry under Schedule 1, paragraph (3) of the Water (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 for a consent to discharge application TrC 080/20_1 – DAERA, on behalf of Dalradian Gold Ltd.

2021/WHR02 - a Public Local Inquiry under Schedule 1, paragraph (3) of the Water (Northern Ireland) Order 1999 for a consent to discharge application Ltd TrC 081/20_1 – DAERA, on behalf of Dalradian Gold Ltd.

2021/WHR03 – a Public Local Inquiry under Regulation 17 of the Water Abstraction and Impoundment (Licencing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 for application AIL 2020 0105 – NIEA, to abstract and impound water on behalf of Dalradian Gold Ltd.

2021/WHR04 - a Public Local Inquiry under Regulation 17 of the Water Abstraction and Impoundment (Licencing) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 for application AIL 2020 0106 – NIEA, to abstract and impound water on behalf of Dalradian Gold Ltd.

I note your letter, dated 11 April 2024, confirming receipt of a large volume of documentation from NIEA on the 29 and 30 March 2024, and you highlight missing information. Your letter does not acknowledge that information was also sent on 3 April 2024.

NIEA staff worked over the holiday period to provide the Commission with the information requested, at the pre inquiry meeting, within the requested timeframe. The information was

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emailed to the address set out by the Commission, Dalradian.CPI@pacni.gov.uk . However, as this inbox may not have been managed over the holiday period by the Commission, NIEA received a message that the inbox was full, and a number of emails bounced back. NIEA reissued these emails to an alternative Commission email address, specifically [REDACTED]@pacni.gov.uk , on 3 April 2024. However, NIEA will reissue these documents to the Commission for ease of reference i.e. three discharge consent extension letters and information pertaining to extensions of time for the determination of abstraction and impoundment licenses, along with the previously issued, 3 April 2024, covering email.

In regard to the monitoring reports, similar to the issue described above, Reports 6 -10 and 15 were previously sent and will be reissued to you for ease of reference. However, it would appear that reports 22, 23 and 26 were not sent and will be provided to the Commission under separate cover.

I also note your request, letter dated 11 April 2024, for a hard copy of the large volume of documents provided electronically by NIEA. No request for a hard copy was made by the Commission at the pre-inquiry meeting on the 20 March 2024, or on the published action points of 22 March 2024. I therefore believe that given the volume of documents, your stipulation for a hard copy with a deadline of 2 working days is unacceptable. However, as it is DAERA, alongside DFI colleagues, who have instructed the Commission to hold a public local inquiry, we wish to facilitate and support the Commission as much as possible. A hard copy will be provided to the PAC offices on 17 April 2024.

I trust you will find the above information useful.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Water Management Unit

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