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Mr. Dave McDonald
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Dear Mr. McDonald:

Re: Vale Manitoba Operations - Noise Abatement Plan

Receipt of your October 31, 2014 submission, detailing Vale's Noise Abatement Plan is acknowledged.

The submission provides an overview of the noise monitoring program that Vale completed during specific time periods in 2014 and proposed a noise abatement plan going forward to further address noise concerns.

The letter states that as part of the noise abatement plan, Vale would be raising an engineering request with the Vale engineering department to investigate noise reduction options for operations. The investigation into noise reduction options would be completed by April 30, 2015.

A comprehensive noise reduction options report for Vale's operations, as detailed in the noise abatement plan, is required to be submitted to my attention on or before June 15, 2015. Upon review of the noise reduction options report, specific actions may be required at the development to further address noise issues.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Winsor, P.Eng. at 204-945-7012.

Yours sincerely,

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