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Joey Champagne Facility General Manager Tantalum Mining Corporation of Canada Ltd. P.O. Box 2000 Lac du Bonnet MB R0E 1A0 Joey.Champagne@sinominecorp.com

Dear Joey Champagne:

## Re: Tantalum Mining Corporation of Canada Ltd. (TANCO) – Cesium Processing Facility

Thank you for your Environment Act proposal dated May 31, 2021, requesting the consolidation of previously approved notices of alteration into a revised Environment Act licence, and the submission of a new notice of alteration for changes to the cesium processing facility. An amendment to the proposed alteration was received on June 6, 2022.

Since the May 31, 2021, submission and June 6, 2022, amendment, notices of alteration dated December 19, 2022, January 26, 2023, and March 6, 2023, were received and processed.

The project proposed in the May 31, 2021, proposal and June 6, 2022, amendment has been assessed. The assessment of the project concluded that effects on the environment would be insignificant. I concur with this assessment and so provide approval under Section 14(2) of The Environment Act for the construction of the project as described. All of the provisions of Environment Act Licence No. 973 remain in effect and are unchanged by this alteration.

A revised licence consolidating the approved alterations to the development will be forthcoming.

TANCO is required to obtain all necessary federal, provincial and/or municipal licenses, authorizations, permits and/or approvals for construction of relevant components of the project prior to commencement of construction.

For questions regarding this approval, please contact Jennifer Winsor, Senior Environmental Engineer, Environmental Approvals Branch, at <u>Jennifer.Winsor@gov.mb.ca</u>.

For questions relating to the ongoing administration of the licence, please contact Allan Cyrenne, Acting Regional Supervisor, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch at <u>EnvCEEastern@gov.mb.ca</u> or 204-485-6410.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By Agnes Wittmann Director The Environment Act

c. Jennifer Winsor Allan Cyrenne