

Report of the Independent Review Panel

Design Document for Expansion of Yankee Doodle Tailings Impoundment

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The Panel has been provided with Rev. 3 of the Construction Management Plan (CMP), dated May 1 2018. In this update to the CMP, two earlier comments raised by the IRP have been addressed. One comment related to the procedures on how the supporting documentation on construction quality will be submitted to the DEQ. A second comment related to procedures for evaluating the suitability of the best available rockfill for placement in the West Embankment, Zone D1 material. The issue involved the proposed means for evaluating material suitability relative to the potential for generation of acidic drainage for rock forming the downstream zone of the West Embankment.

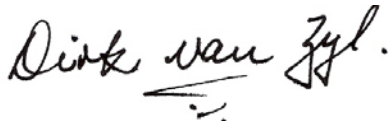
The Panel has reviewed the revised text in the CMP (Rev 3) where these issues arise and held a discussion on these topics with Knight Piésold. The IRP concurs that these two issues have now been addressed in a satisfactory manner in the CMP (Rev 3).



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