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Attn: Ms Denise Turnbull

Dept. of Primary Industry
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30 JAN 2006

Receives: Titles Division
Minerals & Energy Group

Dear Denise

SEL

**Re: EL 23200 – Northern Gold NL (NGNL)/Rustler's Roost Mining Pty Ltd (RRMPL)
Deferral of Reduction
Annual Report - Year Ended 4 February, 2006**

No on-ground exploration was carried out on the licence area in Year 2. The title constitutes a strategic landholding in the vicinity of RRMPL's Rustler's Roost gold deposit and RRMPL has invested considerable funds exploring adjacent areas (MLN 1083, EL 9154) in 2003-2004.

Further exploration on EL 23200 in the short term is dependent on the results of a feasibility study currently being undertaken by RRMPL in respect of the Rustler's Roost deposit. This study, which to date has cost in excess of \$700,000 over that past 12-18 months, is at an advanced stage and formal findings are expected to be released before mid-2006.

In view of our client's significant financial investment in the area around the Rustler's Roost deposit over the past 3 years we hereby request that the reduction in blocks due at the end of the current tenure year be deferred for 12 months and that the area of the licence remain at 7 blocks. The attached cheque includes rent for 7 blocks at \$22/block including GST totalling \$154.

SEL 23200

As no work was conducted on EL 10351 in the past year we hereby request that the expenditure covenant be reduced to \$0 and we include payment of \$50 being the prescribed fee for this request in the accompanying cheque.

The proposed exploration program and expenditure covenant for the coming year are outlined below.

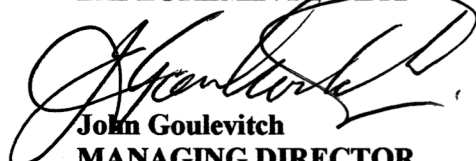
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ACTIVITY	\$
Geological Mapping	5000
Rock Chip Sampling	500
Analytical Services	500
Petrological Investigations	1500
Reporting	1500
Sub-Total	8000
ADMINISTRATION COSTS (15%)	1200
TOTAL (Year 3)	9200

The proposed expenditure covenant for Year 3 is \$10,000.

Yours Faithfully

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