

Version 3 Hammond Reef Gold Project EIS/EA – Addendum (Part B)
Responses to Provincial Information Requests

1656263

Identifier	Topic	Reference to EIS/EA Report	Summary of Previous Comment	Proponent's Response to Previous Comment	Follow-up comment/ Request for Information	New Proponent Response	Subsequent Comment
			<i>Date: March 2014 MOE Air-3</i>	<i>Date: June 2015</i>	<i>Date: August 2015</i>	<i>Date: November 2015</i>	
MOE-Air 3B	Air quality	EIS/EA §6.1.2, §6.8	MOE previously raised a comment during the draft EIS/EA review that the EIS did not include a discussion of cumulative air quality concentrations or impact. The combined impacts of the modelling results with the background concentrations were not included in the discussion. The proponent provided a response stating that the potential cumulative effects of the project were discussed in Chapter 6.8 of the main EIS document. Chapter 6.8 provided a brief discussion on whether there is potential interaction of the project with other past, existing and proposed activities in the region. However, the combined predicted air quality concentrations with suitably conservative estimates of background concentrations were not included and discussed in the report.	The response to comment MOE Air-2 includes a discussion on background concentrations and presents the combined ambient air concentrations resulting from the Project emissions with the available baseline concentrations in each of the study areas.	Please see the above comment on Proponent's response to MOE AIR-2. (MOE Air-2B) : "The modelling results show concentrations of some compounds are predicted to exceed applicable ambient criteria. Update Tables MOE Air-2-1 and MOE Air-2-2 to include TSP background concentration, and also provide information on cumulative effects (modelled plus background concentrations) at the known and possible receptors. The Proponent provided the information regarding frequency above the applicable criteria for PM _{2.5} . The frequency analysis should include any compounds that have potential exceedances of applicable criteria. In addition, the frequency analysis should also be presented graphically (isopleths) to understand the geographic extent of the frequency above the applicable criteria in addition to the Table MOE AIR-2-3 as provided in the Addendum Attachment 5."	Comment noted.	N/A