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RE: Benga Mining Ltd. – Grassy Mountain Coal Project

Dear Mr. Joshi and Mr. Maracle,

Benga Mining Limited (Benga), a wholly owned subsidiary of Riversdale Resources Limited, is proposing to develop a 4.5 million clean tonnes per year steelmaking coal mine, referred to as the Grassy Mountain Coal Project (the Project). Benga filed Technical Application(s) and supporting environmental impact assessment (EIA) report as an Integrated Application package for the Project on August 12, 2016. An application for an approval under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act 2012 (CEAA 2012)*, and a Mine Permit under the CCA (Part 4 Development, Operation and Abandonment of Mines, Section 10(1) (b)), was submitted to the AER under a separate cover on November 10, 2015.

The EIA has been prepared in accordance with Section 48 of the EPEA and the final terms of reference (FToR) issued by the AER on March 19, 2015 and in accordance with Section 19 of *CEAA 2012* and the Guidelines for the Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to *CEAA 2012* issued by the Agency on June 13, 2015. The Addendum addresses additional information requests (AIR) issued by CEAA on December 5, 2016 (i.e., AIR #1 and #13).

At this time, Benga are submitting an addendum to the EIA, which includes:

- An updated Aquatic Ecology Assessment (referred to as Consultant Report #6), which provides a detailed assessment on an associated aquatic SARA listed species (Westslope cutthroat trout) and updated provincial and federal concordance tables;
- An updated Section E.6, which is summary of CR#6; and,
- An update to the Wildlife Assessment (referred to as Consultant Report #8), which provides a detailed assessment on an associated wildlife SARA listed species (Little Brown Myotis).

This Addendum has been provided to both agencies in the form of a written document and electronically. For clarification, no changes have been made to the Integrated Application and EIA submitted on August 12, 2016.

Correspondence regarding the integrated application package and the addendum should be directed to the attention of:

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Sincerely,

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