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REGULATION OF THE CHIEF GOLD COMMISSIONER

Mineral Tenure Act

I, Patrick O'Rourke, Chief Gold Commissioner, Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, order that the following regulation is made:

URANIUM AND THORIUM RESERVE REGULATION

Definitions

In this regulation: 1

"Act" means the Mineral Tenure Act;

"reserve" means the land described in section 2 (1).

B.C. REG. 82/2002

Uranium and thorium reserve

- (1) A mineral reserve is established for uranium and thorium over all mineral lands, including, without 2 limitation, land in respect of which minerals or placer minerals or the right to explore for, develop or produce minerals or placer minerals become vested in or reserved to the government after the date this regulation comes into force.
 - (2) Subject to the limitation in subsections (3) and (4) or another limitation or prohibition imposed under the Act in relation to the same mineral lands and in accordance with the Act
 - (a) a free miner may register a claim in the reserve, and
 - (b) a lease may be registered in the reserve.
 - (3) A claim registered in the reserve on or after the date this regulation comes into force does not entitle a free miner to uranium or thorium in respect of that claim.
 - (4) A lease registered in relation to a claim that was registered in the reserve on or after the date this regulation comes into force does not convey to the lessee uranium or thorium in respect of the portion of the leasehold on which the claim was registered.
 - (5) Subsection (3) does not apply in relation to a legacy placer claim converted from a placer lease under section 21 of the Mineral Tenure Act Regulation, B.C. Reg. 529/2004 or to a lease registered in relation to such a legacy placer claim.

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Chief Gold Commissioner

Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section:-

Mineral Tenure Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 292, section 22

Other (specify):-

September 7, 2007

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