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## Chief Inspector of Mines' Directive

### Information and Notification Requirements for Deemed Authorizations

#### Objective:

To establish information and notification requirements for activities deemed authorized under the *Mines Act* Permit Regulation.

#### Background:

The *Mines Act* Permit Regulation establishes that certain mining exploration activities are deemed authorized under an existing *Mines Act* permit.<sup>1</sup> These include:

- Induced polarization (IP) surveys using exposed electrodes where an exploration permit is held;
- Mineral or coal exploration drill programs and IP surveys in the permitted area of disturbance of a producing mineral or coal mine that is currently operating; and,
- Extending the term of mineral or coal exploration activities by up to two years.

Under the regulation, proponents may undertake activities referred to in the regulation after notifying the Chief Inspector of Mines (including delegates) in the form and manner, and with the necessary information, required by the Chief Inspector (section 4 of the Permit Regulation).

This directive establishes the information required by the Chief Inspector to be included in proponent notifications and the form and manner by which deemed authorization notifications are to be submitted.

#### Directive:

##### **Information Requirements**

The following information is required from proponents when submitting notifications for deemed authorized activities:

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<sup>1</sup> For more information, please refer to the *Mines Act* Permit Regulation.

**For IP Surveys using exposed electrodes where an exploration permit is held:**

**Permit Number:** the permit number of the associated *Mines Act* permit.

**Mine Number:** the mine number of the associated *Mines Act* permit.

**Geo Reference File:** a geo reference file that outlines the area within which the activity will occur and the specific locations of the activities within that area.

**Start Date and End Date:** the start and end date for when the activity will be conducted.

**Total Line Kilometers:** the total length of the IP survey.

**Description of Planned Survey:** a detailed description of the planned survey.

**For Drill Programs and IP Surveys in the area permitted for disturbance of an operating, producing mineral or coal mine:**

**Permit Number:** the permit number of the associated *Mines Act* permit.

**Mine Number:** the mine number of the associated *Mines Act* permit.

**Geo Reference File:** a geo reference file that outlines the area within which the activity will occur and the specific locations of the activities within that area.

**Start Date and End Date:** the start and end date for when the activity will be conducted.

**Total Line Kilometers:** for IP surveys, the total length of the survey.

**Total Number of Drill Sites:** for drill programs, the total number of drill sites.

**Description of Activities:** a detailed description of the planned activities.

**For extending the term of mineral or coal exploration activities by up to two years:**

**Permit Number:** the permit number of the associated *Mines Act* permit.

**Notice of Work Number:** the number of the Notice of Work being extended.

**New End Date:** the new end date (up to two years beyond the current end date).

**Reason for Extension:** a brief description of the reason for the term extension.

**Form and Manner of Notification:**

All proponent notifications must be submitted electronically through Virtual FrontCounter BC.



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