



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN

# The Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia and

# The Association for Mineral Exploration British Columbia

#### Whereas:

- A. The Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of British Columbia (APEGBC) is, under the authority of the Engineers and Geoscientists Act, the governing body for the practice of professional engineering and professional geoscience in British Columbia, and as a professional regulatory body, APEGBC has a duty to uphold and protect the public interest respecting the practice of professional engineering and professional geoscience.
- B. The Association for Mineral Exploration British Columbia (AME BC) is an apolitical, non-government, non-profit industry association governed by bylaws adopted by the members of AME BC on January 23, 2012. AME BC represents, advocates, protects and promotes the interests of its members who are engaged in mineral exploration and development in British Columbia and throughout the world.
- C. Many of the members of AME BC are also registered as members of APEGBC as professional geoscientists or professional engineers.
- D. Both APEGBC and AME BC favour the development of a close working relationship between them in the interests of upholding and promoting the public interest, the interests of members, maintaining standards of practice of members and promoting the professions of geoscience and engineering in mineral exploration and development excellence.
- E. A cooperative relationship is in the mutual best interest of APEGBC and AME BC.

### Therefore APEGBC and AME BC agree to:

- 1. Cooperate to increase the prestige and esteem of professional geoscience and engineering generally, and as it specifically relates to mineral exploration and development in British Columbia and throughout the world.
- 2. Seek grounds on which to cooperate with each other in relations with governments, other professional associations and entities, and the public, to express a unified position on matters pertaining to the practice of professional geoscience and engineering.
- 3. Maintain an open dialogue on issues of concern while identifying any differences that may arise, seek to identify an approach which is compatible with each organization's mandate and obligations.
- 4. Assist each other in consultative and operational matters generally, and in accordance with the following terms:
  - a. Representatives of APEGBC and AME BC will attend regular consultation meetings (a minimum of twice per year).
  - AME BC will consult with APEGBC on professional practice matters pertaining to the mineral exploration and development industry, and APEGBC will provide such advice and assistance to AME BC as is necessary.
  - c. As key providers of continuing professional education to the geoscience community in British Columbia, APEGBC and AME BC will seek opportunities to work together on continuing professional education initiatives to the benefit of AME BC, APEGBC and the geoscience and engineering community.

APEGBC and AME BC are subject to the British Columbia Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will act according to this Act to protect personal information where required.

This Memorandum of Understanding will be reviewed every three years by APEGBC and AME BC.

Signed in Vancouver, British Columbia this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015

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