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NI 43-101 CIM Best Practice Guidelines for Mineral Processing Terms of Reference and Protocol for On-Going Reviews

Over the last year, (Canadian Mineral Processors Society) CMP has sponsored a sub-committee of industry professionals representing 3 groups of stakeholders in new mine and process development; engineering, operations and laboratories. The sub-committee has been tasked to produce a Best Practice Guideline (BPG) in Mineral Processing for NI_43-101. The objective was to produce a non-prescriptive set of guidelines that allows flexibility for Qualified Persons (QP) doing the work while providing guidance as to the level of care necessary to protect the industry and investors.

The subcommittee composed of Tony Lipiec, Larry Urbanoski and Chris Fleming should be acknowledged for their efforts in producing the current guideline.

The BPG has gone through extensive reviews during the development including industry peers (30+), the CMP Executive Board and a presentation at the 43rd Annual CMP Meeting with over 400 delegates in attendance. After the presentation, a 4 week comment period was opened for membership comments and suggested edits.

Implementation of the BPG requires CIM approval of the final version of the BPG and its appendices, following which the BPG will be posted on the CIM Website and the CMP Website.

It is recognized that periodic reviews of the BPG will be required to ensure relevance and that the BPG remains current with regards to legislation and the changing responsibilities of the QP.

The Terms of Reference for Review of the BPG are presented below.

- The review of the BPG will be managed by the CMP Executive Board
- A review of the BPG will be opened once every 3 years at the Annual CMP Meeting. This will be part of the Business Meeting Agenda.
- If requested by the membership, the BPG Review will be performed by an impartial subcommittee composed of operations, laboratory and engineering services experienced personnel selected by the CMP Executive Board.
- The review will then be completed by the following year Annual CMP Meeting and presented to the membership.
- A review, managed by CMP and subject to the same process and schedule, may also be performed during edits or changes to NI 43-101.

The CMP encourages all CMP members and QPs to document their experiences with the Best Practice Guidelines (BPG) and report these experiences in a technical paper and/or presentation at the annual CMP Conference or local CMP branches.

The CMP and the BPG Sub-Committee are grateful for all that have participated in this process and hope that the guidelines provide support and benefit to our QPs.

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