IN THE MATTER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT S.B.C. 2018, c.51 (ACT) AND NON-COMPLIANCES WITH ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT CERTIFICATE M19-01 ORDER UNDER SECTION 53

WHEREAS:

- A. The Blackwater Gold Project (Project) is a reviewable project under the *Environmental Assessment Act* (the Act).
- B. Environmental Assessment (EA) Certificate M19-01 held by BW Gold Ltd. (Certificate Holder) for the Project has requirements in Schedule A of the Certificate (the Certified Project Description) with respect to the location of worker accommodation camps.
- C. Section 2.1 of the Certified Project Description states that one Main Construction Camp will be located in the Main Construction and Operations Camp Area on the Mine Site. The Certified Project Description does not authorize the Holder to construct any other Project construction camps.
- D. On May 14, 2024, Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) Compliance and Enforcement Branch (CEB) conducted a site inspection of the Project and determined that a camp located at approximately kilometer 110 of the Kluskus Forest Service Road had been constructed by the Holder to house Project workers during project construction.
- E. Section 53 of the Act specifies that the Chief Executive Assessment Officer may order the Certificate Holder to stop doing something that is or is likely to be in contravention of this Act, the certificate or the order, or cause it to be stopped.
- F. The undersigned has received written delegation of the Chief Executive Assessment Officer's powers under Section 53 of the Act.

DEFINITIONS:

In this Order,

Chu Site: The former Chu Mineral Project camp location accessed at approximately kilometer 110 of the Kluskus Forest Service Road.

NOW THEREFORE:

Pursuant to Section 53 of the Act, I order that the Certificate Holder must:

- 1. By 14:00hrs on August 7, 2024, cease the operation of the Project construction camp at the Chu Site.
- 2. By 18:00hrs on August 31, 2024, remove all the Project construction camp infrastructure from the Chu Site.
- 3. Complete the measures in clauses 1 and 2 above to the satisfaction of, and unless otherwise authorized by, the EAO Compliance and Enforcement Branch.

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Kyle Rice, A/Deputy Director, Compliance and Enforcement Branch Environmental Assessment Office

Dated July 31, 2024 Order Ref: BLAGOL_20240023_OR001