



Polaris Mine

June 18, 1999

Mr. Vic Hodges
Boss Lubricants Limited
Calgary, Alberta

Vic,

I thought I would let you know that we are getting some positive results in performance of our quarry drill since we started using Metalon C-2 in the hydraulic system.

Although it is difficult to quantify, the equipment operators feel there has been an improvement in hydraulic performance, especially when temperatures dip to -60 to -80 below zero.

Also of interest is a dramatic improvement in the performance of our 1032 Atlas Copco drills since we started using Metalon grease in the front head assemblies.

As this was one of several changes, it would be premature to say that the grease has made all the difference, but we will continue to monitor.

Thanks,

Cominco Ltd.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B Chesham', written in a cursive style.

**Bob Chesham,
Superintendent, Maintenance,
Polaris Operations.**

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