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Subject: Submittal of Draft Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Merian Project

19 November 2012

Geachte mevrouw Harris,

Surgold is pleased to submit two hard copies of the revised ESIA for the Merian Gold Project, two copies digitally, and 2 copies of the Executive Summary in both English and Dutch. As requested, a Table of Concordance has also been provided, which provides specific responses to comments and observations received on the draft ESIA that was submitted in June of 2012. Additionally all of the files are available on an ftp site. Instructions on accessing the files on the ftp site have been provided under separate cover.

The revised ESIA has been completed by Environmental Resource Management (ERM), an independent international consultancy, and local Surinamese experts. As detailed in the Table of Concordance, specific attention has been directed at addressing comments and observations received on the draft ESIA during the public presentations held in June, as well as on the written comments submitted to Surgold by NIMOS on July 19, 2012.

Surgold appreciates the continued positive working relationship that has been developed with NIMOS, and we look forward to your review of this important project for Suriname and Surgold.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Meyer".

Mike Meyer
Surgold