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Media Statement on the Engineers and Geoscientists British Columbia Disciplinary Findings

Vancouver, BC – Michael Goehring, President and CEO of the Mining Association of British Columbia (MABC) made the following statement on the Engineers and Geoscientists British Columbia (EGBC) news release on disciplinary findings against two individuals connected with the 2014 breach of the tailings storage facility at the Mount Polley Mine:

“MABC is confident in EGBC’s Discipline Hearing Panel process and findings. In recent years, significant changes have been made to the *Mines Act*, the Health, Safety and Reclamation Code for Mines, and BC’s and water quality guidelines, in addition to new legal requirements for tailings dam construction and management. The provincial government’s Chief Mines Auditor released an audit in June that determined BC’s tailings dam regulations are now among the best in the world. MABC and our members will continue to work alongside government regulators to implement the audit’s recommendations.”

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About the Mining Association of British Columbia:

MABC is the voice of the British Columbia’s steelmaking coal, metal and mineral producers, smelters, and advanced development companies. Our industry benefits all British Columbians and supports more than 35,000 jobs and over 3,700 small, medium, and indigenous affiliated businesses in every corner of the province through an annual spend of nearly \$3 billion on goods and services. Our members’ products have among the lowest carbon footprints globally and are helping the world transition to a cleaner, low-carbon future; safely, responsibly, and sustainably.

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