



# Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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August 2, 2016

Mr. Brad Moore  
Executive VP Environmental & Governmental Affairs  
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RE: Notification of Application Completeness  
Poly Met Mining, Inc.  
NPDES/SDS Permit No. MN0071013

Dear Mr. Moore:

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has received your permit application from Poly Met Mining, Inc., for the NorthMet Project (Application), dated July 11, 2016. Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 116.03, subd. 2b(d) MPCA staff reviewed your Application for completeness. Your Application has been determined to be complete for processing.

The MPCA will process the application as efficiently and rigorously as possible. We may still have additional questions during the development of the permit to clarify information contained in the application. Your prompt response to any information requests is necessary to develop a complete and accurate permit. These requests will not invalidate the determination of completeness for this application. Thank you for your cooperation.

Additional application fees may be applied to your permit application. These additional fees will be sent to you by invoice at the time the permit is placed on public notice and must be paid before the permit is issued. Information about the additional application fees and their applicability can be found on the Agency's website at: <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/water/permits/index.html>.

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Please use MN0071013 in all correspondence with the MPCA pertinent to this permit application. If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact me at 651-757-2405 or by email: [stephanie.handeland@state.mn.us](mailto:stephanie.handeland@state.mn.us).

Sincerely,

## Stephanie Handeland

*This document has been electronically signed.*

Stephanie Handeland  
Water Quality Permits Unit  
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