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Dear Sir:

I have the copy of your letter to our Minister of April 24, 1985, regarding the Tsolum River.

This office, in cooperation with staff from the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources and Environment Canada, is preparing a preliminary report to bring together data available on water quality and to determine what action, if any, is necessary to deal with this problem. I expect this report to be completed early in June, 1985.

Subsequent to this, after participating staff have reviewed the report, a field trip to the mine site is planned for late June or early July. This trip will allow for additional on-site sampling, as well as a physical assessment of the abandoned works and waste piles.

I do not know, at this time, the details of this site visit, but if you are interested in accompanying our staff please let me know. I am sure your knowledge of this area would be useful to them in attempting to resolve this problem.

Yours truly,

T. H. Oxland, Director  
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