

Letter of Transmittal



Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection
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Attention: J. Hofweber, *Manager – Environmental Protection, Regional Operations*

March 31st, 2005

Dear Mr. Hofweber,

Re: **Environmental Annual Report 2004**

Enclosed is Alcan Primary Metal – British Columbia's *Environmental Annual Report 2004*, as required under the terms of our Multi-Media Permit P2-0001.

This report addresses performance with respect to effluents and emissions. It presents the results of monitoring programs relating to ambient air quality and vegetation. It addresses various aspects of our performance with respect to waste management and recycling. It provides the results of specific monitoring initiatives relating to groundwater. Performance relative to permit requirements at our Kemano operations is also addressed. Finally, the report includes a summary of non-compliances and spills, and a brief description of various improvement initiatives and studies that are underway.

Collectively, these sections of the document fulfill the annual reporting requirements of our multi-media permit. For the benefit of readers wishing more background on our operations and our approach to environmental management, we have included introductory sections on these topics. We have also outlined some of our major environmental initiatives which are outside the scope of our permit.

We trust you will find this to be a satisfactory and useful document. Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact us. This report can also be viewed online at www.alcaninbc.com/ear/2004.

Sincerely,

original signed by

Josee Goupil

Superintendent, Environmental Services

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