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COMPENSATION CLAIM

Heritage advises that it has reached a settlement with the Crown in relation to its claim for compensation resulting from the enactment of the NZ Crown Minerals Amendment Act (No 2) 1997.

Under the terms of settlement, the Crown denies any liability to Heritage and has made a payment of NZ\$220,000 to Heritage in full and final settlement of all claims.

Sue Sangster

Company Secretary