

**IN THE MATTER OF THE *ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT* S.B.C. 2018, c. 51
(ACT)**

AND

**AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPOSED
BERG COPPER PROJECT
(PROJECT)**

ORDER UNDER SECTION 13(3)(a)

WHEREAS:

- A. Surge Copper Corp. (Proponent) proposes to develop and operate the Project, a new open-pit copper-molybdenum mine located approximately 80 kilometres southwest of Houston, British Columbia. The Project has been designed with a production capacity of 120,000 tonnes of ore per day, equivalent to approximately 43 million tonnes per year, over a 28-year operational mine life.
- B. The proposed Project constitutes a reviewable project pursuant to Part 3 of the Reviewable Projects Regulation (B.C. Reg. 607/19) because it exceeds production capacity of $\geq 75,000$ tonnes per year of mineral ore.
- C. The Proponent submitted an initial project description and engagement plan on September 9, 2026, that satisfies the Environmental Assessment Office guidelines.
- D. The Chief Executive Assessment Officer has delegated to the undersigned the power to issue an order respecting approval of an initial project description and engagement plan.

NOW THEREFORE:

Pursuant to Section 13(3)(a) of the Act, I approve the initial project description and engagement plan for the Project.



Chelsea Garside
Acting Project Assessment Director
Environmental Assessment Office

Dated September 15, 2026