

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

September 11, 2013

<u>Via E-Mail</u> Mr. Tony S. Giardini Chief Financial Officer Kinross Gold Corporation 25 York Street, 17th Floor Toronto, Ontario M5J 2V5

> Re: Kinross Gold Corporation Form 40-F for the Year Ended December 31, 2012 Filed April 1, 2013 File No. 001-13382

Dear Mr. Giardini:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filing and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/Tia L. Jenkins

Tia L. Jenkins Senior Assistant Chief Accountant Office of Beverages, Apparel, and Mining