

EA1617-01 Tlicho All-season Road

July 19, 2017

Via email

To: Stu Niven, Manager - Environmental Affair, Department of Infrastructure Shin Shiga, Manager - Environment, NSMA

Re: NSMA submission regarding review of the Adequacy Statement Response

The purpose of this letter is to clarify the Review Board's consideration of the North Slave Métis Alliance's (NSMA) recent submission regarding its review of the developer's *Adequacy Statement Response*.

On July 14, 2017 the NSMA submitted information requests based on its review of the developer's *Adequacy Statement Response* and other evidence on the public registry (PR#138). This submission came well after the May 29, 2017 deadline for parties' first round of information requests (PR# 119).

The NSMA and GNWT have exchanged follow-up emails to clarify the intentions and approach to the NSMA's requests (see attached emails).

Due to the lateness of the NSMA's information requests, they will not be considered as part of the first round of information requests. However, the Review Board understands that both parties are working together to address any outstanding issues and the discussion can continue at the technical sessions. If productive discussions take place outside of the EA process, the Review Board asks that the GNWT and NSMA submit the outcomes of these meetings for posting to the public registry.

I trust this response provides sufficient clarification. Should you have further questions please do not hesitate to me at stoogood@reviewboard.ca or at (867) 766-7053.

Sincerely,

Simon Toogood Environmental Assessment Officer

Attachment: email string from NMSA and GNWT

From: <u>Stu Niven</u>
To: <u>Shin Shiga</u>

Cc: <u>Michael Conway; Katie Rozestraten; Simon Toogood; Lara Mountain; Darren Campbell</u>

Subject: RE: TASR EA: Review of ASR Date: July-18-17 11:49:38 AM

Good morning Shin,

Thank you for the clarification that your concerns identified, and in the IR format, are a continuation of the dialogue we are having to ensure this project is as good as it can, and should not be considered as a late IR submission to the EA process. We are working away on finishing up the IR stage of this EA and prepping for the tech session. Look forward to seeing you there. We will go over your submission to the Board as soon as we can, and the GNWT looks forward to continuing dialogue with the NSMA on this file.

Stu Niven

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Subject: RE: TASR EA: Review of ASR

Hi Stu,

I want to follow up on my recent submission to the Review Board/Dol.

As I wrote earlier, I missed the deadlines set by the Review Board and Michael. I understand that this creates an unrealistic timeline if you were to try to respond to all of my IRs before the Technical Sessions on August 15-16.

I submitted them as part of the ongoing dialogue between GNWT and NSMA about our concerns regarding the TASR. I appreciate if you can respond to them by the Technical Sessions but I don't expect you to.

I hope the IRs will inform you about the kind of concerns we have, and may bring up during the Technical Sessions. We hope to continue to have productive discussions about the environmental effects of TASR.

Cheers, Shin

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