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Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board, c/o Louie Azzolini, Environmental Assessment Officer, Box 938, Yellowknife, NT. X1A 2N7 Phone (867) 873-9189; Fax 920-4761

RE: Canadian Zinc Corporation Land Use Permit Application

Dear Louie:

As a concerned citizen, I find it hard to understand why the MVEIRB is 1) dealing with the Praire Creek environmental assessment in a piecemeal way that amounts to "project splitting", rather than in a reasonable, comprehensive approach; and 2) not insisting that the more environmentally benign alternatives to all-weather road building are fully examined and appraised.

You, and the Board, know all the reasons that this area should be treated with the utmost concern for conservation. Please take the appropriate steps to show that you are doing the right thing the right way!

Sincerely,

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cc. Hon. Robert Nault, P.C., M.P. Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development

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