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From: cpaws-nwt [cpaws-nwt@yellowknife.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 04, 2001 2:14 PM
To: Louie Azzolini
Subject: Fw: CZN Reminder - Comments on Draft work plan and Draft Terms of Reference

Louie,

RE: Canadian Zinc Corporation Land Use Permit Applications MV2001C0022, MV2001C0023 and MV2001L2-0003.

Attached are two information requests related to the above applications. CPAWS requests more time to complete a review of the Canadian Zinc environmental assessment reports, and to submit further information requests. I would also like to reiterate previous concerns relating to the timelines for these two assessments (see below). The EA Workplan schedule is too short, and does not allow for full participation due to the tight timelines. As such, we request that the timelines for the two assessments be extended accordingly.

Sincerely,

Greg Yeoman
 Conservation Director
 CPAWS-NWT

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From: CPAWS-NWT
To: Louie Azzolini
Sent: Friday, May 11, 2001 4:21 PM
Subject: Re: CZN Reminder - Comments on Draft work plan and Draft Terms of Reference

Hi Louie,

CPAWS won't be able to complete and submit comments on the draft terms of reference by May 11, 2001, and request a few extra days to do so.

However, I did note the length of time for the EAs set out in the EA Workplan. The draft workplan as currently set out appears to be unrealistically short in duration. Two recently completed EAs, on the 6-7 hole drill program and tote road re-establishment/fuel cache clean-up applications from Canadian Zinc, were originally scheduled to be approximately 6 months in length, and actually took around 7 months to complete.

In an April 17 letter from Canadian Zinc to the Board, the company claims they "would need to have environmental approval within the shortest possible time frame." Regardless of what the company claims they need, the purpose of EAs as set out in section 114 (b) & (c) of the MVRMA, is to "ensure that the impact on the environment of proposed developments receives careful consideration before actions are taken in connection with them" and "to ensure that the concerns of aboriginal people and the general public are taken into account in that process."

The current applications propose to undertake much more work than the previous two applications, therefore three months (less than half of the time it took to complete the previous two EAs) is an inadequate period of time to give 'careful consideration' to the environmental impacts of these three applications.

Also, in order for local residents and the general public to be involved in this process in a meaningful way, and letters received by the MVLWB & MVEIRB about this project indicate a high level of public concern, the process needs to be carried out at a pace appropriate to the needs of these people, not to meet the

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proponent's timeline.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Thursday, May 10, 2001 1:57 PM

Subject: CZN Reminder - Comments on Draft work plan and Draft Terms of Reference

On April 30, 2001 the the draft EA work plan and draft Terms or Reference (draft document) for the *Canadian Zinc Corporation*

Surface exploration, Underground Decline and Metallurgic Plant Operation

Development were distributed for comment, posted on the Review Board's web site and faxed to interested parties. The Review Board requested comments on the document on or before May 11, 2001 (see below) in order to finalize its work plan and Terms of Reference by May 18, 2001, one month from the start of the EA. If you require additional time to provide comments on the draft document please let the Review Board know how much time you need and why you need it. The next meeting scheduled for May 17 and 18.

[Louie Azzolini] emailed May 30, 2001.

[Louie Azzolini] Attached is a draft EA work plan and draft Terms or Reference (draft document) for the *Canadian Zinc Corporation*

Surface exploration, Underground Decline and Metallurgic Plant Operation

Development proposal. Please consider this draft document as a starting point.

Feel free to tell the Review Board what changes you would like to see in the final document. I have already provided you CZN's digital files containing its Land Use Permit and Water Licence application information. Please consider the existing information, and in light of what is known, or not known, focus our collective efforts on those specific areas where you understand more careful consideration is warranted. Your expert input will be used to finalize the Terms

of Reference. The Review Board is given all the comments and staff's draft document before taking any decision.

Please provide your responses on or before May 11, 2001.

Sincerely,

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Information Request

Date: July 4, 2001

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Subject: Draft Reclamation Costing Model for Prairie Creek Minesite

Objective: To obtain information for the public registry on mitigation of environmental impacts specific to the Prairie Creek mine.

Time Limits: Submissions by July 11, 2001, workplan date for submission of IR responses

Reference: Parks Canada submission to MVEIRB dated March 19, 2001 re: Land Use Permit MV2000C0030

Preamble: Parks Canada viewed this document as part of the previous Canadian Zinc environmental assessments. In a subsequent submission to the Board, Parks Canada outlined some of the contents of the document, which appears to contain information which would be relevant to the Board's decision on the drilling program and pilot plant environmental assessments. This includes information on:

- Mitigative measures for drilling programs
- Soil contamination, re-vegetation, and PCBs
- Water sampling program

All of the above are relevant to the current environmental assessments relating to the Prairie Creek mine.

CPAWS-NWT requested a copy of the above report from Gary Magee of DIAND on April 27, 2001. Mr. Magee stated that the report contained client protected information and that therefore he could not provide CPAWS-NWT with a copy.

Request: For DIAND to place a copy of the Draft Reclamation Costing Model for Prairie Creek Minesite, and any subsequent versions of the report, in the public registry.

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From: Greg Yeoman, CPAWS-NWT

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Subject: Surface Lease 'Overhold Tenancy'

Objective: To obtain information for the public registry on the legal mechanism by which Canadian Zinc occupies the Prairie Creek minesite .

Time Limits: Submissions by July 11, 2001, workplan date for submission of IR responses

Reference: Maps provided by Canadian Zinc which label their surface lease as an overhold tenancy.

Preamble: The surface lease which Canadian Zinc holds for Prairie Creek mine does not appear to be a regular surface lease. We are seeking clarification on the legal mechanism by which Canadian Zinc occupies the minesite.

CPAWS-NWT requested a copy of the above report from Gary Magee of DIAND. Mr. Magee stated that information regarding the status of the surface lease is not available for public viewing and that, therefore he could not provide CPAWS-NWT with a copy.

Request: We request that DIAND supply the following:

- 1) A definition and description, with specific reference to relevant legislation, of a surface lease in overhold tenancy.
- 2) A description of the legal mechanism by which Canadian Zinc occupies the Prairie Creek mine site, including the rights and responsibilities it grants, any conditions placed on their occupancy, the expiration date, and the process for renewal.
- 3) A description of why Canadian Zinc is in an overhold tenancy position.
- 4) A copy of the surface lease and/or overhold tenancy agreement for the Prairie Creek minesite, to be placed in the public registry.