



Date:

April 19, 2001

To:

Roland Semjanovs; Louie Azzolini

MVEIRB

By fax: 1-867-920-4761

From:

Peter Campbell

Re:

Letter of Support - Nahanni Butte Dene Band

Roland/Louie:

In correspondence forwarded to you earlier this week by Malcolm Swallow of this office, reference was made to a letter of support received from the Nahanni Butte Dene Band.

A copy of this letter, from Chief Leon Konisenta to Greg Smith of the MVLWB dated April 12, 2001 is appended for your reference and files.

Regards,

Peter

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April 12, 2001

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Mr. Greg Smith
Regulatory Officer
Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board
7th Floor – 4910 50th Ave.
P.O. Box 2130
Yellowknife, N.T. X1A 2P6

Dear Mr. Smith:

R6: Canadian Zinc Corporation - Prairie Creek Mine - Water Licence and Land Use Applications - MV2001L2-0003, MV2001C0022, MV 2001C0023

The Nahanni Butte Dene Band has reviewed the Applications for a Water Licence and Land Use Permits submitted to the Land and Water Board by Canadian Zinc for work planned at the Prairie Creek Mine this coming summer in support of future operations.

Canadian Zine has reviewed its plans with us and we are comfortable that the work can be carried out without harm to the environment.

The Nahanni Butte Dene Band therefore supports Canadian Zinc in its efforts and supports the Board issuing the Water Licence and Land Use Permits to Canadian Zinc without referral to the Environmental Impact Review.

The Nahami Butte Dene Band signed the Prairie Creek Development Coorporation Agreement with Canadian Zinc in 1996. In the Agreement the Band proclaimed its support for the development of an environmentally sound mining operation and access road at Prairie Creek.

The Band considers the Agreement to continue to be valid and expects Canadian Zinc to continue to honor its commitments under the Agreement as it carries out its developments.

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Yours truly,

Chief Leon Konisenta Nahanni Butte Dene Band

Cc: Deh Cho First Nations Fax: 867-695-2038