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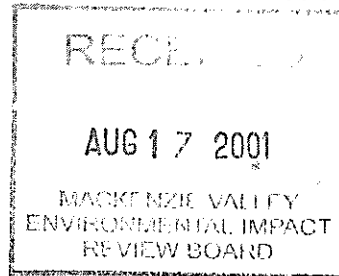
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August 17, 2001

**RE: Information request - Information Request: Canadian Zinc Corporation**

Enclosed, for consideration by the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board, is DIAND's response to the information requests for the Canadian Zinc Corporation (CZN) Environmental Assessments, Phase II Drilling Program and the Decline and Metallurgical Test Plant. We want to reiterate the point made previously that while the land-related IR's were endorsed by the Review Board, no such endorsement was made for the water quality-related IR's. We are however providing the information below at this time so as not to slow down the process.

1. IR on Effluent Quality for the Pine Point Mines:

A package of the information requested is attached.

2. IR on Effluent Quality for the Polaris and Nanisivik Mines:

In prior discussion with you, we indicated that all the data in our possession for the Polaris and Nanisivik Mines have been transferred to the Nunavut Water Board and any request for the information should be made to them.

3. IR on Effluent Quality from Canada Tungsten Mines:

A package of the information requested is attached.

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4. IR on Draft Reclamation Costing Model for the Prairie Creek Minesite:

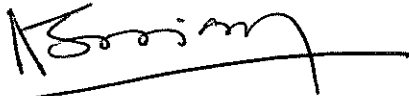
We have previously indicated that, due to the *Access to Information Act* or the *Privacy Act* there are concerns about disclosure of the information requested. Please be informed that DIAND is in the process of seeking advice from the office of DIAND's ATIP co-ordinator with respect to whether any information in its possession that may relate to the occupation of the mine site by CZN is barred from being disclosed pursuant to the *Access to Information Act* or the *Privacy Act*.

5. IR on Surface Lease 'Overhold Tenancy':

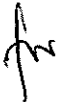
It is the view of DIAND that items 1 and 2 of the Overhold Tenancy request call for the provision not of information in the possession of DIAND, rather they call for a legal interpretation of the nature of the occupation of the mine site by CZN. It is our respectful view that the Review Board, or any party participating in these proceedings, should seek the advice of their respective legal counsel in making such determinations based on any relevant information that DIAND is able to disclose (or any other source of relevant information). As mentioned under item #4, DIAND is in the process of seeking advice from the office of DIAND's ATIP co-ordinator with respect to whether any information in its possession that may relate to the occupation of the mine site by CZN is barred from being disclosed pursuant to the *Access to Information Act* or the *Privacy Act*.

I trust this information is helpful.

Sincerely,



Mary Tapsell  
Regional Manager



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