Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

August 2, 2001

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By Fax (604) 688-2043 Our File EA01-002 and EA01-003

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Dear Mr. Campbell,

RE: Amended Work Plan Schedule and Information Requests
Environmental Assessment (EA) of the Canadian Zinc Corporation (CZN) Phase II Drilling
Program (EA01-003), and the CZN Decline and Metallurgical Test Plant (EA01-002).

On August 1, 2001, the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board or Board) considered correspondence about scheduling issues, and in particular, correspondence dated July 24, 2001 from the Federal and responsible ministers regarding suggested work plan amendments (amendments). The Review Board also considered CZN's July 13 and 26, 2001, insightful responses to concerns and suggested amendments submitted by the ministers.

The Review Board accepted that the Federal and responsible ministers needed additional time to complete their analysis and technical reports for the Review Board. The Review Board also noted that concerns pertaining to its environmental assessment scope of development and assessment decisions were not grounds for entertaining any changes to its work planning schedules.

The Review Board concluded that the Information Request period would close on August 1, 2001, that the last day for CZN to respond to the Information Requests would be August 17, 2001, that the Review Board undertake a site visit on August 30, 2001, and that the public registry close on August 31,2001. The Review Board intends to make a decision on the environmental assessments two weeks after the close of the public registry.

Information Requests prepared by the Nahanni National Park Reserve and authorized by the Review Board are appended. Please do not respond to EA01-002 Information Request question 25 as it is outside the scope of the EA.

Sincerely,

Luciano Azzolini

Environmental Assessment Officer

Attachment:

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Amended Work Plan Schedule for CZN EA Phase II Drilling Program EA01-003, and Decline and Metallurgical Test Plant EA EA01-002.

MILESTONE	ORIGINAL TIMELINE	AMENDED TIME LINE	
Start-up of the EA	17-Apr	Completed	
Complete development description submitted	17-Apr	Completed	
Draft EA work plan developed	30-Apr	Completed	
Draft EA Terms of Reference developed	30-Apr	Completed	
Final EA work plan and Terms of Reference approved and issued	18-May	Completed	
Preparation and submission of EA Report by Developer Conformity check	21-Jun	Completed	
Deficiency statement	27-Jun As required	Completed Completed	
Issue Information Requests	As required	31-Jul	
Respond to Information Requests	<u>.</u>	August 17(16 days)	
Submission of RA and others technical reports Site Visit at the Prairie Creek Mine	6-Jul	' August 31 (14 days)	
	Not planned	August 30 (1 day)	
Closure of Public Registry	13-Jul	August 31 (14 days)	
EA decision	31-Jul	September 14 (2 weeks)	
Federal Minister's response to the Review Board's Report of EA, if required	-	· <u>-</u>	
Consultation - throughout / as required	-	-	



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Corporation and Information Request Submission

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