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NOTICE OF MACKENZIE VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

REVIEW BOARD DECISION

Canadian Zinc Corporation Environmental Assessments EA01-002 Metallurgical pilot plant and Decline, and EA01-003 Phase Two Drilling Program.

Please see the attached letter

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Dear Mr. Livingstone,

RE: Environmental assessment (EA) of the Canadian Zinc Corporation (CZN) Environmental Assessments for the Phase II Drilling Program EA01-003, and the CZN Decline and Metallurgical Test Plant EA EA01-002.

On July 17, 2001, The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board or Board) considered EA scope of assessment and work plan timing issues identified by government expert advisors, the Nahanni National Park Reserve, and the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society. The Review Board also considered correspondence provided by CZN in response to EA issues cited by government and non-government parties to the environmental assessments.

The Review Board weighed the importance of undertaking its responsibilities in a timely and efficient manner, CZN's need for an effective and efficient EA process, and the support provided by government experts and decided to place environmental assessments EA01-002 and EA01-003 on hold for thirty calendar days beginning July 17, 2001. The Review Board expects government experts to submit an amended work plan to the Review Board, with appropriate justification, by Friday August 3, 2001. The Review will consult with the Canadian Zinc Corporation on the proposed work plan amendments before ruling on the matter.

If there are any questions or specific information requirements regarding the environmental assessments, please call me at 867-873-9189.

Sincerely,

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