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KA'A'GEE TU FIRST NATION

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National Chief Mathew Coon Com
Assembly of First Nations
1 Nicholas Street
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Att : National Chief Mathew Coon Com

Dear Sir :

RE : Cameron Hills Gathering System & Pipeline Project

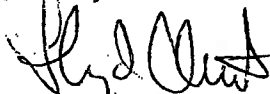
The Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation request that the Assembly of First Nations write a letter of support to the Minister of DIAND, Robert Nault and to Paramount Resources Ltd, fax # 403-264-9206, stating that the Assembly of First Nations support the Ka.a.gee Tu First Nation in the draft Benefits Agreement that was faxed to Paramount Resources on February 1st, 2002, and further support the two parties to come to a mutual understanding on the Benefit / Compensation package and respect the recommendation that resulted from the 1996 Royal Commission Report on Aboriginal Peoples that stated:

" Aboriginal People need much more Territory to become economically, culturally and politically self sufficient. If they cannot obtain a greater share of the lands and resources in this country, their institutions of self-government will fail. Without adequate lands and resources, aboriginal nations will unable to build their communities and structure the employment opportunities necessary to achieve self-sufficiency."

The Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation is requesting this support of the Assembly of First Nations as this development project in the Cameron Hills is in our Traditional Lands. The Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation should benefit from this development so they can become self sufficient. Recent court challenges such as Delgamuukw case and the recommendations from the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples have clearly shown that First Nations have to be in control of their lands and resources to be self sufficient.

Please treat our request as urgent, because Indian & Northern Affairs of Canada, has already given Paramount Resources approval to do its development, even though the compensation package is not in place.

Sincerely,



Lloyd Chicot
Chief, Ka'a'gee First Nation