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Attention: Elaine DeBastien

Dear Ms. DeBastien:

Mackenzie Valley Land  
& Water Board

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Application # MV2000P0055  
Copied To PLM/EDB/Reg**Re: Land Use Permit MV2000P0055: Noise Survey**

We received a copy of Paramount Resources Ltd's production/operation noise survey for the central facility and satellite site, dated April 19, 2002 (the "Report"). We understand that the Report was submitted to meet the requirements of Permit Condition 78. Following are the comments of our clients, the Ka'a' Gee Tu First Nation, on the Report.

Our clients have several concerns. First, despite our requests, the testing sites remain 1500 meters away from the facility. Our clients asked that test sites be established closer to the facility, so they would have more information about what level of noise animals are being exposed to.

Second, the noise surveys were taken on a Saturday and Sunday. We do not have information about whether the level of operations remain constant seven days a week, or if the operation is conducted differently on week-ends. We would appreciate the Board making inquiries to determine whether the selection of test days can be expected to have an impact on survey findings.

Our clients are also concerned about the report authors' decision to edit out all noises made by ATVs and helicopters, on the grounds that Paramount told them it anticipated this activity would be substantially reduced following this initial trouble-shooting phase. Presumably, there will be some helicopter and ATV noise during normal operations: by editing out *all* helicopter and ATV noise, the report does not realistically represent the level of noise which will be present after the trouble-shooting phase is complete. For condition 78 to be met, it is our position that the noise survey must be re-done once operations are 'normalized.'