

Environmental Impact Review Board

Thursday, July 18, 2002

Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
c/o Joe Acorn
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Re: WesternGeco (White), Mackenzie Delta River 2D Seismic Program 2002

Dear Mr. Acorn:

As you are aware, the Environmental Impact Screening Committee referred WesternGeco (White), Mackenzie Delta River 2D Seismic Program 2002 to the Environmental Impact Review Board on Thursday, June 20, 2002. This initiated the EIRB's Public Review Process.

To date, I have met with WesternGeco twice here in Inuvik. The EIRB has met twice by teleconference to discuss the referral. At this time, not much more will happen until such time as the company submits an EIS to the EIRB. In addition, WesternGeco has started work on a proposed Test Program.

Currently, I am working to compile the list of Registered Participants and Government Representatives. Your Board would be considered as eligible to apply for Registered Participant status under the current Operating Procedures of the EIRB (June 18, 2001 edition).

The Review Board invites the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board to apply in writing to the Secretary, EIRB for designation as Registered Participant. As the OP-EIRB state:

Registered Participants:

individuals or organizations that formally declare their intention to participate in EIRB public review proceedings within the time limits set by the EIRB.

~and~

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Registered Participants and representatives of government agencies will be placed on a mailing list, and thereafter will regularly receive all documents designated for distribution to them, including proponents EIS (Environmental Impact Statement), subsequent notices and procedural rulings, and other written submissions. Registered Participants can take part in the public review via written submission or by sending a delegation to the public forum.

If you wish to have the MVEIRB put on the Registered Participants list, please send a letter to that affect at your earliest convenience.

If you have any further inquiries, please feel free to contact me at our offices here in Inuvik.

Sincerely



Jonathan W. Allen
Secretary, EIRB

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