



Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

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NOTES:

Please see the attached letter.

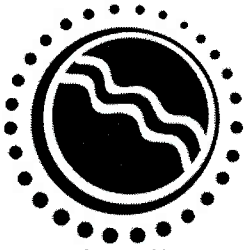
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Our File EA02-002

June 27, 2002

Marty Swagar
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Dear Mr. Swagar:

Re: Notice of Referral to Environmental Assessment

Pursuant to subsection 126(5) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA), you are hereby notified that the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) intends to undertake an environmental assessment (EA) of the WesternGeco Mackenzie River 2D Seismic Program (the development). The National Energy Board (NEB) and Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), as per section 125(1) of the MVRMA, jointly referred the development to the Review Board with the NEB's June 25th, 2002 letter.

As part of the environmental assessment, the Review Board will determine the scope of the development, based on ss. 117(1), and must also consider the factors listed in ss. 117(2) of the MVRMA. To complete these required tasks as expeditiously as possible, the Review Board will be in further contact with WesternGeco and will place all pertinent information on the Review Board's Public Registry for this EA.

If you have any questions or require additional information on the environmental assessment process, please contact me at (867) 766-7052 or jacorn@mveirb.nt.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Acorn".

Joe Acorn
Environmental Assessment Officer