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## Sherry Sian

From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, June 17, 2003 3:53 PM

To:

'Laurie Stephenson'

Cc:

Alan Ehrlich

Subject: RE: Terms of References Cons. GoldWin Ventures

Hi Laurie,

We are aware of the need for lead time to secure financing for small operators.

As indicated previously, your draft Terms of Reference and Workplan was not issued on May 30, 2003 so the Review Board could review options for a more effective and efficient process for your environmental assessment (i.e., including a cumulative effects assessment). The purpose of the meeting on June 9th was to discuss how cumulative effects would be addressed through a regional approach and to explain the implications of this approach for your environmental assessment. At this meeting, I indicated, that the draft Terms of Reference and Workplan would be issued June 20, 2003. We will send them out earlier, if possible.

Please note, I have cc'd Alan to ensure he is also aware of your concerns.

Sherry

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----Original Message----

From: Laurie Stephenson [mailto:lstephenson@wascomgt.com]

Sent: Monday, June 16, 2003 4:01 PM

To: Sherry Sian

Subject: Re: Terms of References Cons. GoldWin Ventures

I know that from last week but was hoping that we would be seeing an earlier release if possible.

The requirements for junior companies to be able to assure their financiers that they can do the work "proposed" is tantamount to carrying out that operation.

I recognise that you are making efforts to epedite this process but I have been now waiting for over 3 weeks for the "draft" terms of reference. I had been "promised" them twice - after the MVEIRB meeting at the end of May and - I assumed - at our meeting on June 9th.

When I am told that - I have to assume there is some veracity in it - but I am reporting to others and the constant moving goal posts is unacceptable.

This process has been a ugly mar on conducting exploration in the NWT already - somehow we have to ensure timeliness is the order of the day!

Laurie Stephenson