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Ottawa, Canada K1A 0H4

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Mr. Dennis Bevington, MP  
House of Commons  
OTTAWA ON K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Bevington:

Thank you for your letter of October 7, 2013, regarding the Giant Mine Remediation Project and the Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision.

The Giant Mine Remediation Project Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision is currently under review for a decision by the responsible ministers pursuant to the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*.

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada is working closely with the other responsible ministers: Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Environment Canada, and the Government of the Northwest Territories, on an expedited decision process for this proposed project. I am confident that the responsible ministers will be able to conclude this decision-making process within a reasonable timeframe.

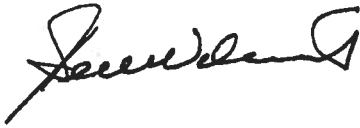
Following this review, the responsible ministers will inform the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board of their decision as required under section 130 of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*. The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board will then post this decision for public dissemination on their website. I encourage you to keep abreast of developments on this site as this environmental assessment progresses.

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Thank you for your interest and support for the Giant Mine Remediation Project, and also for your support for the recommendation of the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bernard Valcourt', written in a cursive style.

Bernard Valcourt, PC, QC, MP

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