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[VIA EMAIL]

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Dear Ms. Spencer:

Re: TNR Gold Corp. Ltd. – Moose Property Exploration Project EA1011-002; Comments on the Requests for Ruling

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) is responding to your request of September 21, 2010 for interested parties to provide comments on the Requests for Ruling.

INAC recognizes that the Review Board has the discretion to define its own process, as per page 25, footnote 63, of the Review Board's Environmental Impact Assessment Guidelines (2004) and that this discretion is bounded by the principles of natural justice and procedural fairness, and the requirement to ensure that the process is thorough enough that the Board can satisfactorily fulfill its statutory duties under the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*.

In response to the request for comment, INAC would like to reiterate comments made in its scoping submission of August 13, 2010, which state:

When considering the workplan for this environmental assessment, INAC encourages the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (MVEIRB) to establish an efficient process that allows for full, fair and effective participation and input from all potentially affected parties.

If you wish to discuss these comments further, please contact Krystal Thompson

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Sincerely,

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