

6 March 2015

Chief Louis Balsillie
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Dear Chief Balsillie,

We are responding to your letter of February 26, 2015, sent to Ms. JoAnne Deneron, Chairperson of the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board stating that you were not consulted on the NWT Archaeologist Permit that the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre (PWNHC) issued in 2014 for archaeological work pertaining to Dominion Diamond Ekati Corporation's Jay Project. We note the DKFN's concern and provide a commitment that the PWNHC will consult with Deninu K'ue First Nation on all future NWT Archaeologist Permit applications for archaeology projects that trigger the duty to consult in the Akaitcho asserted traditional territory. We also note that we anticipate a further archaeology permit on the Jay Project and will be consulting with the DKFN once the application is received.

Sincerely,

Tom Andrews, PhD
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