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Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency 5019-52<sup>nd</sup> Street Yellowknife, NT X1A 1T5

Emails: Umar.Hasany@CanNor.gc.ca

Attention: Umar Hasany, Project Officer

Re: Invitation to provide comments for Aboriginal consultation and potential accommodation regarding the Report of Environmental Assessment on the proposed Prairie Creek All Season Road (EA1415-01)

While the primary intention of this letter is to provide a response to the Report of Environmental Assessment on CanZinc Corporation's (CanZinc) proposed Prairie Creek All Season Road (EA1415-01), we would also like to take this opportunity to inform you that Acho Dene Koe First Nation (ADKFN) has retained Landmark Resource Management (Landmark) to manage its Lands and Resources Department in collaboration with ADKFN. Please direct all correspondence regarding development planning and potential land and resource alterations in ADKFN's traditional territory to both ADKFN and Landmark for response to:

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ADKFN acknowledges that there has been continued consultation with CanZinc since 2014. Since that time, ADKFN has maintained a positive relationship with CanZinc, and a number of ADKFN's requests and concerns have been addressed. ADKFN has and will continue to express employment and economic opportunities through consultation with CanZinc and the Mackenzie Valley Review Board. ADKFN has a number of community members and businesses that would like to be involved with this CanZinc project when appropriate. Businesses operated by ADKFN include:

- · Helicopter services;
- Contract work;



- Road Construction
- Camp operations and catering; and
- Environmental monitoring.

During ADKFN and CanZinc's past engagement, ADKFN has expressed concern regarding the increased level of traffic on the Fort Liard Highway relating to this project. ADKFN's specific concerns relating to the increased traffic volume include:

- Increased dust in the area, and the subsequent effects of that dust on vegetation and the wildlife that browse on it:
- Potential effects on air quality;
- Wildlife strikes and effects on wildlife movements;
- Negative impacts from pesticide or herbicide use along the Fort Liard Highway on the surrounding wildlife, vegetation, and ADKFN harvesters.
- Impact on the care and maintenance requirements of the highway due to increased truck traffic; and
- Negative impacts for the ADKFN hunting cabins located near the Fort Liard Highway (e.gs., increased noise levels, impacts on wildlife, and effects on the experience of using the land).

ADKFN requests that CanZinc continue to consult with ADKFN to address and accommodate our interests relating to the project as they arise, and to provide information on planned mitigations. If CanZinc uses pesticide or herbicides along the Fort Liard Highway, ADKFN also requests advance notice of these plans.

Sincerely,

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Signature

Chief Gene Hope

cc. Barney Dohm, President & CEO, ADK Corporate Group