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Please find attached faxes provided to the Review Board by the Pehdzeh Ki First Nation.

I will prepare draft Terms of Reference and a draft workplan as per the Review Board's direction. I will be faxing the CZN's applications to parties outside YK.

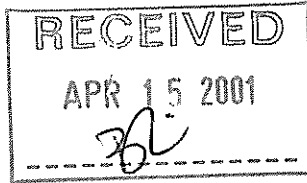
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Mr. Ken Weagle
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Dear Mr. Weagle:

Land Use Permit Application

**Canadian Zinc Corporation – MV2001C0022, MV2001C0023, MV2001L2-0003
Surface Exploration Program, Underground Decline Development and Exploration,
and Water License for Metallurgic Plant Operation – Prairie Creek Mine**

Attached you will find comments regarding the above stated land use permits and water license application made by the Canadian Zinc Corporation.

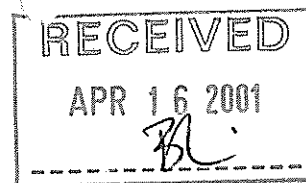
The Pehdzeh Ki First Nation, acting as the local government of the Settlement of Wrigley is referring the project under Section 126(2)(c) of the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act to the Mackenzie Valley Environment Impact Review Board due to significant environmental and public concern. The Settlement of Wrigley expects a full environmental impact review regarding the cumulative effects of an eventual full mine operation. The water quality downstream will be significantly impacted and eventually affect the Settlement of Wrigley. This is our greatest concern and would like to take all necessary environmental precautions before a full mine operation.

A copy of this letter will be forwarded to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board for their information.

Sincerely,

James Sergeant
Senior Administrative Officer

cc: Mr. Gordon Lennie, Chairperson, MVEIRB



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April 16, 2001

Executive Director
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Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE: LAND USE PERMIT APPLICATION CANADIAN ZINC CORPORATION –
MV2001C0022, MV2001C0023, MV2001L2-0003, Surface Exploration Program,
Underground Decline Development and Exploration, and Water License for
Metalurgical Plant Operation – Prairie Creek Mine.**

Please find attached the following comments regarding the above stated land use permits and water license applications made by the Canadian Zinc Corporation

The Pehdzeh Ki First Nation is very concerned that there has so far been virtually no consultation between Canadian Zinc Corporation and affected Deh Cho First Nations regarding this permit application, despite the claims by the company on page 8 of the March 5, 2001 Project Description. There have been no discussions whatsoever with the PKFN and it is my understanding that the "consultations" which are described on page 8 between Canadian Zinc and the DCFN and LKFN amounted to nothing more than very brief, vague presentations by company officials about their plans. There certainly were not "consultations" as that term has been defined by the Canadian Courts, or even as it is defined in the MVRMA. The DCFN has specifically advised Canadian Zinc that it does not consider the brief November 22, 2000 meeting, or the letters of December 27, 2000 and February 27, 2001 to constitute consultation.

The total lack of consultation is very troubling because we have been repeatedly assured by Mr. Weagle that the MVLWB would not accept an application for a land or water use permit unless it was satisfied that consultations have occurred prior to the application being submitted. Mr. Weagle very clearly and strongly informed us that any application which was submitted without thorough consultation by the applicant would be rejected as an "incomplete application". In fact, the decision by the DCFN Leadership to participate in the MVLWB through our Interim Measures Agreement was largely based upon this assurance.

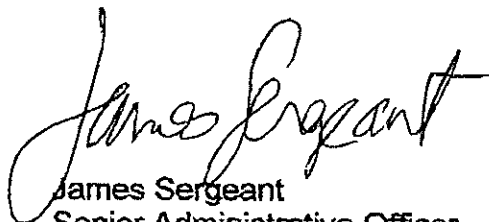
If the MVLWB's definition of "consultations" amounts to nothing more than the minimal efforts undertaken so far by Canadian Zinc, the PKFN may have to re-consider its decision to participate in the MVLWB.

In the meantime, I urge you to reject the application and inform the applicant that thorough consultations must take place with all affected First Nations before an application for a permit is submitted.

Without prejudice to our position that the application for a permit must be rejected as incomplete, the PKFN, acting as the local government for the settlement of Wrigley, is referring the project under Section 126(2)c of the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board due to significant environmental and public concern. We expect a full environmental impact review regarding the cumulative effects of an eventual full mine operation. Water quality downstream may be significantly impacted and will eventually affect the drinking water of the settlement of Wrigley. This is our greatest concern and we insist on taking all the necessary precautions before a full miner operation.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board.

Sincerely yours,



James Sergeant
Senior Administrative Officer
Settlement of Wrigley

c.c. Gordon Lennie, Chair, MVEIRB
Grand Chief Michael Nadli, Deh Cho First Nations