

Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Our file:

EA03-005

May 29, 2003

Shirley Maaskant Regulatory and Community Affairs Coordinator Paramount Resources Ltd. 4700 Bankers Hall West 888 3rd Street SW Calgary, AB T2P 5C5

Dear Ms Maaskant

Re: Notice of Referral to Environmental Assessment – Paramount Resources Ltd. Cameron Hills Extension

On May 28, 2003 the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board referred Paramount's application for an amendment to Land Use Permit MV2002A0046 and Water Licence MV2002L1-0007 for the Cameron Hills 5 Well Drilling and Tie-In Project to Environmental Assessment, according to section 125 of the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act.

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board will determine the scope of the project and of the assessment, and will provide you with Terms of Reference and a Work Plan. To facilitate the timely production of these items please provide a detailed description of the proposed development. Although we have a description of the Cameron Hills project on file from the previous Environmental Assessment, a clear description and delineation of the existing and proposed development components would be very helpful.

All pertinent information will be placed on the Review Board's public registry. The terms of reference and work plan will be developed in consultation with the MVLWB and other stakeholders, including yourself. The Board's Guidelines for Environmental Impact Assessment, as well as information on previous assessments, can be found on at www.mveirb.nt.ca. Also, please do not hesitate to contact me any time at (867) 766-7053 or mhaefele@mveirb.nt.ca, if you wish to discuss the process involved in the Environmental Assessment.

Sincerely

Martin Haefele

Environmental Assessment Officer