

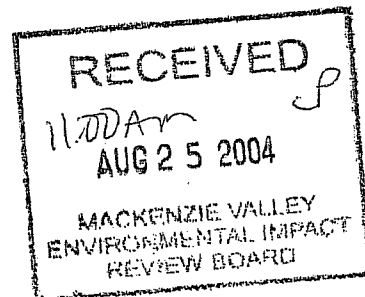
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Mr. Todd Burlingame
Chair
Mackenzie Valley Environmental
Impact Review Board
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Dear Mr. Burlingame:

As the federal Minister, and on behalf of the Responsible Ministers (RMs) with jurisdiction related to this development, I am writing to convey our decision on the recommendation contained in the Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision on the Paramount Resources Limited Cameron Hills.

The RMs and I have agreed to initiate consultation with the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board, pursuant to subparagraph 130(1)(b)(ii) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*.

Regional officials, under the direction of Mr. David Livingstone, Director, Renewable Resources and Environment, will be in contact to provide suggested modifications to the recommended measures and to set up a meeting.

Yours sincerely,

The Honourable Andy Scott, PC, MP

c.c.: The Honourable Stephane Dion, PC, MP
The Honourable Geoff Regan, PC, MP
The Honourable Brendan Bell, MLA

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