

Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Our file: EA0506-007

Tuesday, July 4th, 2006

To: Paramount SDL8 Environmental Assessment Distribution List. **Re:** Notification to extend deadline for submission of final comments

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) met on July 4th, 2006 to discuss certain issues identified in the June 28th Request for Ruling submitted by Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation (KTFN). In particular, the Review Board had originally established July 7th to be the date by which final comments on the SDL8 environmental assessment were to be submitted by Parties and members of the public. However, matters raised in KTFN's Request for Ruling specifically deal with, among other things, extending the date to submit those final comments. As such, there is a conflict between the current deadline for submission and the timeline by which the Review Board can consider KTFN's Request for Ruling, as per the Rules of Procedure for Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Review Proceedings. It should be noted that the Review Board previously mentioned in its correspondence of June 29th, that it will consider KTFN's Request for Ruling during its July 18th- 20th meeting.

As a result of these facts, the Review Board has decided to extend the deadline for Parties and members of the public to submit final closing comments until 5:00 pm (MST) on July 21st, 2006. Without prejudice to any possible decision that the Review Board may make concerning the Request for Ruling, all Parties and members of the public who are intending to submit final closing comments should be prepared to do so by July 21st. Paramount Resources Ltd. is requested to be prepared to submit any responses or final comments it may have by July 26th, 2006.

Should you have any questions or concerns about the above-cited material, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience by phone at (867)-766-7062 or by email at pduxbury@mveirb.nt.ca.

Yours truly,

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