



Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Our file: EA0506-007

November 24, 2005

Shirley Maaskant
Regulatory and Community Affairs Coordinator
Paramount Resources Ltd.
4700 Bankers Hall West
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Dear Ms Maaskant

**Re: Notice of Referral to Environmental Assessment – Paramount Resources Ltd.
Significant Discovery Licence 8 2-D Geophysical Program**

On November 23, 2005 the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development referred your proposed 2-D geophysical program on Significant Discovery Licence 8 in the southern NWT to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board for an Environmental Assessment pursuant to section 126 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.

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 mhaefe@veirb.nt.ca, if you wish to discuss the process involved in the Environmental Assessment.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Martin Haefe".

Martin Haefe

Environmental Assessment Officer