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Deninu Kue First Nation's Final Analysis For Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board Tamerlane Ventures Inc. Environmental Assessment

Tamerlane Ventures Inc.'s land use permit application was submitted to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board in June 2006. In June 2006 Tamerlane Ventures Inc.'s application was referred to an Environmental Assessment under the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act. Since then Deninu Kue First Nation has been involved in the Environmental Assessment process of the Pine Point Pilot Project through the Akaitcho Interim Measures Agreement and pursuant to sections 82 and 109 of the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act, the Minister of INAC put in place a policy direction to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board regarding the Akaitcho Territory Dene First Nations.

Prior to the scoping session that were held in August 16-17, 2006 by Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board, Deninu Kue First Nation and Crosscurrents Associates prepared through strategy sessions and committee meetings, a all-inclusive document with DKFN concerns and issues.

All departments for the Deninu Kue First Nation had taken part in this strategic planning phase for Deninu Kue First Nation. At the scoping session held in Fort Resolution on August 17, 2006

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Deninu Kue First Nation presented the questions and concerns they had with Tamerlane Venture Inc.'s application. In this presentation Deninu Kue First Nation stated that "*Deninu Kue First Nation supports responsible development*".

After the scoping sessions the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board acknowledged they had a sufficient amount of documentation to draft up the Terms of Reference that will guide Tamerlane Ventures Inc. to prepare the Developers Assessment Report (DAR).

During the analytical phase of the DAR the parties had two rounds of information requests and a two day technical session was held in Hay River on July 16-17, 2007. Tom Unka, Environment Manager, Rosy Bjornson, IMA Coordinator and Eddy Lafferty, DKFN ECC member and current land user represented DKFN.

During these Technical sessions, Tamerlane Ventures Inc.'s informed the parties that they intend to use two injection wells and one settling pond instead of the proposed Infiltration Basin at the Quarry south of the Bulk Sample site.

The DAR was re-summarized to accommodate the changes to the proposed project. Tamerlane Venture Inc and Deninu Kue First Nation met to discuss the changes also went over PowerPoint presentations that were prepared for the public hearing held on October 16, 2007.

On October 16, 2007 the public hearing was held in Fort Resolution and hosted by the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board. The Deninu Kue First Nation presented outstanding concerns we had with the lack of information provided for the changes in the proposed project ie; injection wells. Deninu Kue First Nation also made comments on Species at Risk in the vicinity of the proposed project.

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For further clarification, Deninu Kue First Nation requests these five recommendations for the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board be taken into consideration;

1. If Tamerlane Ventures Inc. can not shut down operations when Caribou get within 500 meters of operations, what mitigation measures can replace this? Is it possible to use fencing?
2. Traditional Knowledge studies were conducted by TVI and one representative from Deninu Kue First Nation. Deninu Kue First Nation strongly feels that Traditional Knowledge must be incorporated in the design and implementation of the ongoing monitoring that is to be conducted by Tamerlane Venture Inc during the life time, closure and years after for all environmental aspects of the bulk sample project.
3. Archeological studies must be done in the whole vicinity of the Pine Point Pilot Project and remaining mineral claim as well as the old village at Big Buffalo River. These studies should incorporate traditional knowledge of both elders and land users and the physical aspect of the studies should involve youth. Deninu Kue First Nation recommends that Tamerlane Ventures Inc., INAC, and GNWT provide funding for this recommendation.
4. Deninu Kue First Nation membership does a great deal of moose hunting in this area, what studies can be done and will moose be incorporated into the monitoring program?
5. The proponent must host a terminology workshop to aid interpretation of this new technology and the proposed development of the Pine Point Pilot Project.

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