

Note to file

EA 0809-002 Canadian Zinc Corporation, Prairie Creek Mine

September 19, 2008

Re: EA Update, Scoping Phase

This is a periodic EA Update for the above-noted file.

Scoping Sessions

On August 29, 2008, the Review Board announced that scoping sessions would be held at the end of September and in October. The following dates and locations for these sessions, which are open to the public and all interested parties, have been finalized:

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September 30, 2008 – Nahanni Butte - 9:30am-4pm – Community Hall
October 1, 2008 – Fort Liard - 9:30am-4pm – Community Hall
October 1, 2008 – Fort Simpson - 6:00pm-9pm – Community Hall
October 2, 2008 – Wrigley - 9:30am-4pm – Community Hall
October 3, 2008 – Fort Simpson - 9:30am-4pm – Community Hall
October 9, 2008 – Yellowknife - 9:30am-5pm - Tree of Peace Hall
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Final agendas for these scoping sessions will be distributed on Tuesday, September 23. The Review Board is seeking input on the following scoping questions:

- 1. What biophysical, socio-economic and cultural issues merit consideration during the environmental assessment and why?
- 2. What principal and accessory development components (physical works and activities) should be considered within the scope of the proposed development for this environmental assessment?
- 3. What are appropriate temporal and geographic scopes of assessment for consideration of project-specific and cumulative effects assessments?
- 4. What evidence (if any) from previous studies, management plans, or environmental assessments should be transferred onto the public record for this environmental assessment, and why?

Interested parties are reminded that the deadline for scoping submissions has been set for Tuesday, October 14th.

For more information on the scoping sessions or the scoping phase of the environmental assessment in general, contact me or view the public registry for this file at www.mveirb.nt.ca.

Meetings with Parties

Review Board staff also had the following meetings over the last month with interested parties in Yellowknife about the Prairie Creek Mine environmental assessment:

- 1. On August 22nd and September 4th, Review Board staff met with representatives from Canadian Zinc Corporation to discuss the forthcoming environmental assessment process.
- 2. On September 17th, Review Board staff met with representatives of the Nahanni Butte Dene Band to discuss the scoping session in Nahanni Butte in particular and the scoping phase of the environmental assessment in general.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or requests for information, please contact me.

Regards,

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