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Tyhee NWT Corp. - Yellowknife Gold Project Distribution List

Re: Draft *Terms of Reference* and *Work Plan* for the Environmental Assessment of Tyhee NWT Corp.'s Yellowknife Gold Project (EA0809-003)

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) announces the release of its draft *Terms of Reference* and draft *Work Plan* for the environmental assessment of Tyhee NWT Corporation's Yellowknife Gold Project. The Review Board invites all interested parties to evaluate the *Terms of Reference* for adequacy of scope and depth in the analysis of issues for the Yellowknife Gold Project. Please submit your comments by February 20, 2009 at 5:00 pm to:

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The Review Board also requests that parties identify any areas where the Developer has adequately assessed a particular component. For example, if a party feels that the Developer has identified effects to and mitigation strategies for vegetation in an appropriate way, then that party should indicate that view in their comments. This will reduce redundancy in the Developer's Assessment Report for components that the Developer has adequately addressed to this point in the environmental assessment. Parties should also evaluate and comment on the prioritization of issues in the *Terms of Reference*.

In addition, the process for reclassifying any lake as a *Tailings Impoundment Area* via Schedule 2 of the Metal Mining Effluent Regulations in the *Fisheries Act* will be in parallel with the



environmental assessment of the Yellowknife Gold Project. If possible, parties should identify any additional information requirements for this reclassification to avoid the need for a separate information-gathering process.

Sincerely,

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