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Dear Mr. Edjericon:

Re: CGV & Debogorski EA Hearings

YKDFN have noticed in the *Valley Talk Newsletter* that the hearings for the CGV and Debogorski EAs are scheduled September 12th/13th and 14th/15th respectively. YKDFN do not have the capacity, either financially or staff wise, to meaningfully prepare and participate in back-to-back hearings.

Because the outcome of the CGV file will obviously have an effect on the development of the Debogorski EA, we are requesting that the second hearing be delayed a minimum of 30 days. This will allow the First Nation enough time to develop a submission and presentation for the Board to review. Drybones Bay is a culturally significant place for the YKDFN and our submission needs to be prepared with our undivided attention.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact YKDFN Lands and Environment at 766-3496.

Sincerely,

Chief Ted Tsetta

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