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Mr. Vern Christensen
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Dear Mr. Christensen:

Consultation on Draft Terms of Reference for the Gahcho Kué Environmental Impact Review Panel

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Thank you for your letter of April 25, 2007, initiating consultation with the Government of the Northwest Territories on the Draft Terms of Reference for the Gahcho Kué Environmental Impact Review Panel in accordance with section 134(a) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*.

In partial fulfillment of our role as Responsible Minister, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) has been working with all of the Responsible Ministers to prepare a consolidated set of comments. These will be submitted to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board shortly.

ENR has formed a Government of the Northwest Territories Project Team. This team will be led by Mr. Gavin More, Manager of Environmental Assessment and Monitoring. He can be reached at (867) 873-7244 or by e-mail at gnwt-ea@gov.nt.ca.

Sincerely,

Michael McLeod

Minister

