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Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
Box 928, 200 Scotia Centre
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Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N7

Attention: Board Members/Joe Acorn

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Re: Environmental Assessment – Paramount's Cameron Hills Drilling Project

Please be advised that we are lawyers representing the Ka'a'Gee Tu First Nation.

As you are aware from previous communication to the Board, as a general matter our clients are concerned about the absence, to date, of any meaningful consultation with the Ka'a'Gee Tu First Nation or consideration of their traditional use of the area encompassing this project. Our client is also concerned that, to date, there is no evidence of any work being done addressing the impact of this project on the plants, animals and birds in the Cameron Hills area, upon which the Ka'a'Gee Tu people have relied for centuries. The Ka'a'Gee Tu First Nation feel strongly that the project cannot proceed until these issues have been fully addressed because they believe it will adversely affect their people.

In the material filed by Paramount to date, the company has not acknowledged, let alone addressed, the occupation of Cameron Hills by the Ka'a'Gee Tu First Nation. This is a serious omission in the environmental impact studies, an issue which must be addressed in the context of the Board's review of the applications before it.

With respect to the issue presently before the Board, the Ka'a'Gee Tu First Nation submits the following information requests:

1. Can Paramount now identify the water sources they will be using for drilling?
2. In the Tracking of Consultation included in the report dated November 15, 2000, Paramount identifies concerns raised by Pierre Modeste, an Elder to include the effect on traditional activities in the area which include hunting for moose and furbearer trapping, including martin, fisher, mink, beaver and lynx. Can Paramount identify the impact of the project on these specific species?

3. In the report dated November 15, 2000, Paramount identifies certain bird species and key habitat bird sites within the general geography embraced by the project. Can Paramount identify the effect that the flaring may or will have on bird populations in the area?

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours truly,

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cc: Paramount Resources Ltd.
Ka'a'Gee Tu First Nation