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Dear Interested Parties:

Please find attached the latest addition to the Public Registry for the Paramount Cameron Hills Extension EA. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

regards Martin Haefele

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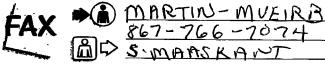
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REVIEW BOARD



Northwest Territory Metis Nation Box 720 Fort Smith, NT X0E 0P0

Attention: Jason E. Lepine, I.M.A. Coordinator

Dear Sir:

Re: Cameron Hills Extension Environmental Assessment

Paramount Resources Ltd. ("Paramount") has received your August 13, 2003 letter that questions Paramount's level of communication with the Northwest Territory Metis Nation ("NWTMN") regarding the Cameron Hills Environmental Assessment.

Thank you for supplying your contact information, though if you recall, this information was supplied to Paramount earlier in your May 9, 2003 letter and information package that contained among other things the South Slave Metis Framework Agreement between the Metis, Canada and GNWT. This information and the Cameron Hills project were discussed during our June 26, 2003 telephone conversation when Paramount invited you to the July 14, 2003 Hay River open house. The Cameron Hills project was again reviewed with you and Chris Heron at the July 14, 2003 Hay River open house.

The NWTMN is included on the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board ("MVEIRB") distribution list for the Cameron Hills Environmental Assessment ("EA"). It is our understanding that the participants in the EA had an opportunity to provide input into the development of the Terms of Reference ("ToR") that is primarily focused on cumulative effects. Paramount felt there was significant value in meeting with the EA participants to review the cumulative effects approach, as soon as possible, in anticipation of the final ToR being issued and the need for Paramount to prepare and submit the Developer's Assessment Report ("DAR") as early as September 2, 2003. Paramount distributed a meeting invitation and draft agenda to EA participants on August 6, 2003 proposing an August 13 meeting. The one-week notice of a meeting anticipated that the considerable thought already given to the cumulative effects issue through the development of the ToR would facilitate a timely meeting and DAR submission. There was significant participation in the August 13 meeting that focused on the design of our cumulative effects assessment ensuring that it would meet participant's needs and ours.

It is unfortunate that the NWTMN deemed it necessary to address the potential lack of communication through strongly worded accusations rather than placing a telephone call to Paramount for clarification. We thought we had made our position clear in our prior discussions that you were welcome to call if information was required. In light of your official documentation, Paramount also requests that the MVEIRB place this letter and the attached fax activity report generated from Paramount's office that clearly indicates a significant effort on Paramount's part to inform participants. Paramount developed their distribution list from the MVEIRB list, which unfortunately contained your telephone number rather than your fax number. After failed fax attempts at 4:19 pm August 6 and 5:59 am August 7, we realized and rectified the problem with a successful fax delivery to you at 6:05 am August 7, 2003.

Paramount has been conducting oil and gas activity at Cameron Hills since 1979 and has not received direction from government or regulators requesting that Paramount consult with the NWTMN to fulfill regulatory requirements. The Cameron Hills project is a significant distance from and outside the boundaries of the NWTMN land claim area. Therefore, it is our position that consultation with the NWTMN to meet regulatory requirements is not and should not be required. Paramount will however continue to include the NWTMN in our correspondence relative to the current EA as an interested party.

Yours truly,

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