



Mackenzie Valley
Environmental Impact
Review Board

In the Matter of: An application for a land use permit MV2002X0080 by Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Ltd. for the Deh Cho geotechnical program;

And in the Matter of: Report of Environmental Assessment EA03-009

And in the Matter of: A Consult to Modify Process initiated by the federal Minister on June 17, 2005 in respect of the Measures Recommended in EA03-009

And in the Matter of: The Supplementary Reasons for Decision in Respect of Measure 10 dated January 27, 2006

ADDENDUM
to Supplementary Reasons for Decision in Respect of Measure 10

As a result of concerns raised by certain parties, in particular the Dehcho First Nations, with respect to the Board's role and actions in the referenced Consult to Modify Process initiated under section 130(1)(b)(ii) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (the "Act"), the Board hereby seeks in these special circumstances, to provide additional clarification.

The Board reiterates the position it has set out in its Reference Bulletin, "*Procedures for Post Report of EA or EIR Consultation by the Federal Minister and the Responsible Ministers or a Designated Regulatory Agency*". This Bulletin describes the Board's view of its role in the "Consult to Modify" Process. Specifically, the Board refers the parties to the Bulletin's concluding statement, which provides: ". . . that the ultimate accountability for such modifications rests with the federal Minister and responsible Ministers or DRA".

January 27, 2006 Decision with respect to Measure 10

In order to alleviate any misunderstanding which may have arisen among the parties to its Environmental Assessment and the public, the Board seeks to clarify its January 27, 2006 "Supplementary Reasons for Decision in Respect of Measure 10". These reasons were intended

to update the parties as to the status of the Consult to Modify Process initiated by the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada.

The Board's January 27, 2006 Reasons do not alter or amend the Board's Environmental Assessment Report dated February 18, 2005 which was made to the Minister. It is only the federal Minister and the responsible ministers who make the decision pursuant to s.130(1) of the Act.

DATED: April 19, 2006

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