



October 7, 2014

Mr. Simon Toogood  
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Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board  
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Dear Mr. Toogood,

**Mackenzie Valley Highway Project – Revised Terms of Reference Extension**

The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) is seeking an extension to resubmit the draft Terms of Reference in order to clarify some outstanding questions about the proposed project. It is our expectation that discussions should be concluded by the end of October, 2014. We will be in a position to provide greater certainty once we have had a chance to discuss matters with our colleagues. In the meantime, we request that our September 19, 2014 submission be withdrawn.

Yours truly,

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