



# Yellowknives Dene First Nation

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Dear Mr. Toogood:

## **Re: Whitebeach Point Scoping (Terms of Reference) & Information Requests**

The Yellowknives Dene First Nation (YKDFN) are submitting the attached comments on the scope, the proposed workplan and our initial information requests. We believe that it would be ideal for the Scoping to be finalized and allow the company to fully respond. At that point, the Information Request period should be commenced.

However, we are aware that the Board has submitted a compressed workplan that folds these stages into one – if we don't submit information requests during this point there would be no opportunity to do so in the future. If the Board provides an opportunity to review the final scope and the developers response prior to IRs, our desire would be to resubmit our requests.

Should there be any uncertainty, we encourage the board or the recipients to contact us directly – past Information Request efforts have seen companies and governments failing to meaningfully addressing the request. Given the timelines available, there is little flexibility to pursue formal avenues for additional clarity.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact YKDFN Lands and Environment at 766-3496.

Sincerely,

Rachel Crapeau  
Director, Lands and Environment

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