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**Re: Canadian Zinc Corporation EA1415-01, MV2012L1-005, MV2012F0007**

Dear Mr. Hasany:

Thank you for your letter of February 27, 2018 concerning the ongoing review of the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Review Board's (Review Board) Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision ("REA") on Canadian Zinc's ("CanZinc") proposed Prairie Creek All Season Road Project ("Project") EA1415-01 and the associated Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board authorizations, and the information requests put forward by the federal Minister and the responsible Ministers regarding the measures set out in the REA.

LKFN understands our obligations to engage in meaningful consultations in regard to the information requests put forward by the federal Minister and the responsible Ministers.

However, LKFN is concerned that CanZinc's proposals to engage with LKFN regarding the REA measures, their own commitments, and the information requests made by the federal Minister and the responsible Ministers regarding the measures set out in the REA are likely to be insufficient to address LKFN concerns.

CanZinc's engagement to date consists of a letter dated February 19, 2018, in which CanZinc proposes to schedule a 1-2-day meeting either during the week of February 26 or March 5. However, CanZinc's proposed plans for implementing the Report's measures

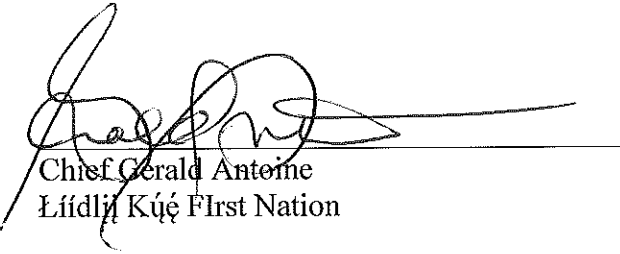
and commitments have not yet been disclosed to LKFN, nor has CanZinc offered any support for LKFN engagement.

Given the scope of the issues under consideration, LKFN will need to seek expert advice in order to be able to engage on an informed basis with CanZinc, and seek input and advice from our community members. We expect that CanZinc will be prepared to support LKFN in this process.

We have advised CanZinc of our views in this regard and have offered to participate in a more meaningful process of engagement and consultation with them and other interested Indigenous Governments, provided that they are able to provide adequate resources for such engagement to occur. We will keep the responsible Ministers informed in this regard, and we remain hopeful that CanZinc will take the opportunity to engage with us as something more than a mere formality.

We trust that the responsible Ministers will continue to require CanZinc to clarify how they intend to carry out their commitments and implement the REA measures, and that they will continue encourage CanZinc to fulfill their responsibilities to meaningfully engage with LKFN in furtherance of the procedural aspects for the Crown's consultation obligations.

If there are any questions in respect of this request, please contact the undersigned.



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cc: David Harpley, VP Environment and Permitting Affairs  
Grand Chief Herb Norwegian, Dehcho First Nation  
Chief Peter Marsellais, Nahanni Butte Dene Band.