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Mr. Vern Christensen  
Executive Director  
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board  
P.O. Box 938 YELLOWKNIFE NT X1A 2N7

Dear Mr. Christensen

**RE: Consolidated Goldwin Ventures Corp.,( EA0506-005) Environmental Assessment request for Information Requests.**

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) are pleased to submit the attached Information Requests( IR's) for the Consolidated Goldwin Ventures (CGV) Corp. Environmental Assessment (EA).

After considering the Mackenzie Valley Land Water Board's preliminary screening, the Mackenzie Valley Impact Environmental Review Board's Reasons for Decision, and the request for Information Requests we have not identified any major issues. A number of regulatory issues and administrative matters are required to be finalized by the developer. These are addressed in the following information requests we have included for your consideration.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these Information Requests, please contact Lionel Marcinkoski at 669-2591 or Lorraine Seale at 669-2590.

Sincerely

for

David Livingstone  
Director  
Renewable Resources and Environment

cc: Attachments 3 IR's

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**IR number:****Source:** Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)**To:** Consolidated Goldwin Ventures Inc.**Subject:** Additional details of the Spill Contingency Plan**Preamble**

CGV has included a Spill Contingency Plan in the Land Use Permit application, however the Plan is lacking in detail and information. The Spill Contingency Plan needs expansion on several points, including a plan for winter spills on ice vs winter spills on land. Spills on land and on ice require different containment methods and the potential for impacts differs between the two areas. INAC suggests using snow dikes to contain on-ice spills in winter, as this will prevent movement of spills towards cracks in the ice and facilitate recovery of the spill.

The Spill Contingency Plan should include and emphasize methods for:

- (a) detection of spill (on ice and snow covered land)
- (b) containment of spill
- (c) recovery methods
- (d) transportation of spill material from site
- (e) contaminated snow clean-up
- (f) discuss the option of burning spills if they are travelling towards open water or other sensitive areas

Refer to 1987 NWT Water Board document *Guidelines for Contingency Planning* for an outline of how to develop and present the Spill Contingency Plan.

**Request**

Please submit details on the Spill Contingency Plan.

**IR number:****Source:** Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)**To:** Consolidated Goldwin Ventures Inc.**Subject:** Temporary camp location on ice at Moosc Bay, Great Slave Lake**Preamble**

Consolidated Goldwin Ventures Ltd. has proposed setting up a temporary work camp on the ice at Moose Bay on Great Slave Lake. Situating a work camp on an ice surface can be problematic and precautions should be taken to minimize risk involved. A plan for camp site location, including minimum measurements of ice thickness, should be noted in the application. In addition, heated cabins will have an effect on the integrity and thickness of the ice surface. Cabins should be positioned to allow convective cooling beneath the cabin. An emergency plan should be established and all workers should be informed of protocol for dealing with ice associated dangers.

**Request**

Please provide details of the location for camp and services. In addition please include a plan for dealing with ice associated dangers.

**IR number:****Source:** Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC)**To:** Consolidated Goldwin Ventures Inc.**Subject:** Camp sewage and greywater disposal**Preamble**

The Land Use Permit (LUP) application mentions the possibility of a small camp setup (4-6 people) at Moose Bay on Great Slave Lake. If a camp is established on the ice INAC needs clarification on how/where sewage and greywater from the camp will be disposed of. The original LUP application states in section 9-B that sewage and greywater will be allowed to "settle and returned to natural state". The Modified Development Assessment Report (MDAR) states that all wastes will be transported back to Yellowknife. If waste is to be disposed of in the area of the camp the following should be noted: (a) waste should undergo a minimum of primary treatment to remove all suspended solids and floatable materials; (b) there should be no discharge of floating solids, garbage, grease, free oil or foam; (c) discharge of the effluent should take place in a diffuse manner to self-contained areas with minimal slope; and (d) all discharges must occur at least 100m from any waterbody. The preferred method of wastewater treatment for the camp would be a secondary or tertiary treatment system that would allow for the treated waste to be spread to the land surface.

**Request**

Please provide details on the method of sewage and greywater waste disposal at the proposed temporary work camp at Moose Bay on Great Slave Lake.