

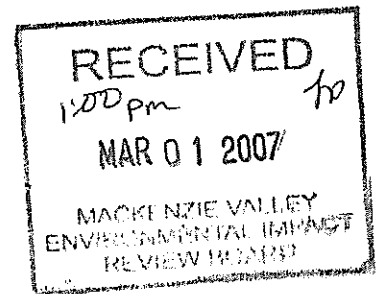


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Attention Mr. Patrick Duxbury,

**RE: INCORPORATING PREVIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT DOCUMENTS INTO THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS OF SIDON INTERNATIONAL RESOURCES CORP. - EA0506-006, AND CONSOLIDATED GOLDWIN VENTURES - EA0506-005**

The Yellowknives Dene First Nation requested that the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (MVEIRB) place onto the public registry of Sidon International Resources Corp. - EA0506-006, and Consolidated Goldwin Ventures - EA0506-005, the public registries of the following environmental assessments.

1. Snowfield Development Corp – Drybones Bay mineral exploration – EA03-006 [2003]
2. New Shoshoni Ventures – Drybones Bay mineral exploration – EA03-004 [2003]
3. North American General Resources Corp. – Wool exploration drilling – EA03-002 [2003]
4. Consolidated Goldwin Ventures – Drybones Bay Preliminary Exploration – EA03-002 [2003]

The MVEIRB ruled that the public records from the four referenced environmental assessments would not be transferred in their entirety into the EA0506-006 public registry. However, the MVEIRB did note that in order to incorporate previous public record documents into current assessments, parties and members of the public would have to identify the specific documents of interest within the records, and provide a written explanation of why they believe the inclusion of each document is relevant to the current environmental assessments.

The Yellowknives Dene First Nation (YKDFN) is pleased to comply with the ruling of the MVEIRB and has prepared the following submission in compliance with the MVEIRB's request.

The YKDFN hereby request that the following documents from the four previously referenced environmental assessments be placed onto the public registry of Sidon International Resources Corp. - EA0506-006 Exploratory Drilling at Defeat Lake [2005], and Consolidated Goldwin Ventures - Drybones Bay Exploratory Drilling - EA0506-005 [2005] (*current environmental assessments*). Reasons for requesting their inclusion are provided in the table below.

**EA03-002 Consolidated Goldwin Ventures**

Public registry item number	Document	Reasons for inclusion onto the public registries of Sidon Int'l. Resources Corp. - EA0506-006 Exploratory Drilling at Defeat Lake [2005], and Consolidated Goldwin Ventures - Drybones Bay Exploratory Drilling - EA0506-005 [2005]
116	Document provides information on the extent of archeological investigation conducted by the GNWT in the area south and east of Dettah and Ndilo.	<p>Provides evidence of the extent and nature of archeological work that has been conducted and or completed by the GNWT in the areas potentially affected by the proposed exploration projects and their vicinity.</p> <p>This evidence is important as the cultural, historical, and contemporary use of subject area is of significant importance to the YKDFN; however, there is little available information from which to assess and evaluate potential impacts on heritage and cultural resources.</p>

131	Terms of Reference and Workplan for the EA of the Consolidated Goldwin Ventures Ltd. Early Stage Mineral Exploration	<p>The Terms of Reference provide evidence about the breadth of information the YKDFN would want to be consulted on before having any decision taken on any current environmental assessment.</p> <p>In addition, as no Terms of Reference have been prepared for the current environmental assessments the YKDFN, want this evidence on the record to show what was the minimum information requirement for previously completed assessments.</p>
149	Draft of the CEAM Strategy and Framework and Regional Plan of Action for Cumulative effects assessment and management in the Slave Geological Province	Provides the MVEIRB information / evidence regarding existing initiatives to monitor and manage cumulative effects by the Government of Canada. It also provides a framework for preparing any cumulative effects assessment with respect to the current environmental assessments.
149	Environmental Assessment of the New Shoshoni, North American General Resources Corporation, Consolidated Goldwin and Snowfield Development Corporation.	Provides evidence and rationale about the role and scope of consultation suggested as necessary by the MVEIRB as the "primary vehicle for effective environmental assessment consultation with First Nations."
179	Report prepared by the YKDFN entitled Review and Comments on New Shoshoni Ventures Ltd., Consolidated Goldwin Ventures Inc. and North American General Resources Corporation	Many of the issues, concerns and questions raised in the report submitted by the YKDFN to the MVEIRB are pertinent to the current environmental assessments and would likely be raised again by the YKDFN.
204	Environmental Guidelines for the Construction Maintenance, and	The subject document addresses the type of information the YKDFN believe is valuable for the MVEIRB to consider when scoping the potential effects

	Closure of Winter Roads in the NWT.	associated with the proposed developments.
277	Information regarding heritage protection – A response to MVEIRB questions arising from the management of Archeological Resources in the Drybones and Wool Bay areas.	Evidence requested previously by the MVCIRB about heritage resource protection which is directly pertinent to the current environmental assessments, particularly regarding what constitutes heritage protection in the NWT.
279	Presentations for the joint public hearing prepared by the GNWT, RWED and DFO	The presentations speak to the information available and state of knowledge of DFO and RWED (now Environment and Natural Resources (ENR)) with respect to the area potentially affected by the developments subject to the current environmental assessments.
302	Akaiicho Territory Dene First Nations Framework Agreement and Interim Measures Agreement as well as Schedule 'D' to the Akaiicho Interim Measures Agreement – Surface federal crown lands.	The various documents speak to existing agreements in place between Canada and the Akaiicho First Nations, of which the YKDFN is a member.
306	Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision on the Consolidated Ventures Preliminary Diamond Exploration at Drybones Bay.	The subject document speaks to the views and decisions of the MVEIRB regarding developments in areas that are very similar in character to those captured in the current environmental assessments. It also speaks to recommendations brought forward, respecting their non binding nature, the protection and preservation of heritage and cultural resources.  The YKDFN intend to show the MVEIRB recommendations were not considered by government and that consequently, the YKDFN interests

		are disadvantaged because the recommendations were not implemented.
No reference number	<p>Consolidated Goldwin Ventures, New Shoshoni Ventures, and North American Resources Public Hearing Transcripts. November 25 and 26, 2003. Copper Room YK Inn. Yellowknife NWT.</p> <p>November 25, 2003 Day 1</p>	<p>Pg. 49 line 8 to Pg.51 line 20. Ms. Monica Krieger speaks to the impacts of drilling and the type of information that would be helpful in the current environmental assessments respecting the impacts of drilling.</p> <p>Pg. 72 line 8 to Pg. 82. Line 11. Various YKDFN speakers address community concerns associated with exploration activities in an area deemed their 'back yard', and in the general location of the projects currently in environmental assessment.</p> <p>Pg. 222 line 18 to Pg. 223 line 13 the definition of cultural landscape is articulated, and given the location of the proposed developments, it is considered directly relevant to the current environmental assessments.</p>
	<p>Consolidated Goldwin Ventures, New Shoshoni Ventures, and North American Resources Public Hearing Transcripts. November 25 and 26, 2003. Copper Room YK Inn. Yellowknife NWT.</p> <p>November 26, 2003 Day 2</p>	<p>Pg. 6 line 7 to Pg. 95 line 17. Various YKDFN members speak to the values ascribed to the land and waters South and East of Dettah. They also speak to how development in those areas would affect them. The proposed developments subject to the current environmental assessments are in the same general vicinity of the area described by the speakers and as such relevant to the current environmental assessments.</p> <p>Pg. 95 line 21 to Pg. 104 line 19. RWED presentation by Mr. Dean Cluff speaks to the human use and animal distribution in the area that will be affected by the proposed developments and is therefore</p>

		considered directly relevant to the current environmental assessments.
<b>EA03-004 New Shoshoni Ventures Ltd.</b>		
77	Terms of Reference and Workplan for the for the environmental assessment of the New Shoshoni Ventures Ltd. early stage mineral exploration	Provides information on the factors that in the opinion of the YKDFN should be considered in the current environmental assessments. The Terms of Reference all address the breadth of information the YKDFN would reasonably want to be consulted on before having any decision taken on the current environmental assessments.
No Reference Number	Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision on the New Shoshoni Ventures Ltd. Early Stage Mineral Exploration.	<p>The subject document speaks to the views and decisions of the MVEIRB regarding developments in the vicinity of those captured in the existing environmental assessments. It also speaks to recommendations brought forward, respecting their non binding nature, the protection and preservation of heritage, environmental and cultural resources.</p> <p>The YKDFN believe it is important to test what not implementing the MVEIRB recommendations means to the current environmental assessments.</p>
<b>EA03-002 North American General Resources Corporation</b>		
253	Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision on the North American General Resources Corporation Preliminary Diamond Exploration in Wool Bay.	The subject document speaks to the views and decisions of the MVEIRB regarding developments in the immediate vicinity to those captured in the current environmental assessments. It also speaks to recommendations brought forward, respecting their non binding nature, the protection and preservation of

		heritage, environmental and cultural resources. As the recommendations have not been implemented the YKDFN want to bring that matter to the MVEIRB's attention and then communicate by way of other evidence the consequences of government not having implemented the recommendations to the YKDFN.
<b>EA03-006 Snowfield Development Corporation</b>		
133	Presentation by the Lutsel K'e First Nation Wildlife and Environment office	The presentation speaks to how the area South and East of Dettah was shared in the past and presently among First Nations and how those shared use patters continue to reflect historical use patters among adjoining First Nations.
144 and 145	April 2 and 3, 2003 Dettah Public Meeting Notes	The notes are a compilation of issues, concerns and objections to development anywhere South and East of Dettah. Reasons for why the area is important are communicated as is information regarding valued ecosystem components and contemporary use and occupancy of the area.
No Number	Reports and Traditional Land Use Mapping of YKDFN only to be made available in the MVERIB office subject to a request in writing seeking permission to view	The maps and report are evidence of YKDFN historical and recent use of the landscape potentially affected by the proposed developments subject to environmental assessment.
139	MVEIRB Snowfield Exploration Corporation Environmental Assessment Public Hearing held at the Explorer Hotel, Katimavik Room C. Yellowknife	Pg. 133 line 20 to Pg. 141 line 13 – Rachel Ann Crapeau evidence  Pg. 144 line 20 to Pg. 149 line 10 – Rachel Ann Crapeau and Alfred Bailargeon evidence

	<p>NWT. January 13, 2004</p>	<p>Pg. 151 line 4 to Pg. 153 line 14 -- Scope and nature of consultation</p> <p>Pg. 154 line 17 to Pg. 157 line 16 -- Isadore Tsetta</p> <p>Pg. 158 line 2 to Pg. 159 line 1 -- Rachel Ann Crapeau evidence</p> <p>Pg. 161 line 11 to Pg. 167 line 10 -- Michel Paper evidence</p> <p>Pg. 175 line 19 to Pg. 195 line 17 - Rachel Ann Crapeau evidence</p> <p>Pg. 244 line 16 to Pg. 245 line 13 -- Isadore Tsetta evidence</p> <p>Pg. 290 line 16 to Pg. 297 line 13 - The late Helen Tobie evidence</p> <p>Pg. 299 line 8 to Pg. 302 line 15 -- Rachel Ann Crapeau evidence.</p> <p>The various text selections noted above provide evidence of YKDFN issues, concerns, values, and aspirations regarding development on their lands in the vicinity of Dettah and Ndilo and especially along the shoreline of Great Slave Lake. Several of the speakers noted above are also no longer able to participate in the environmental assessment proceedings because of age infirmities or because they have already passed on. These texts may be the only way to get their voices onto the record of the current environmental assessments.</p>
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The Yellowknives Dene First Nation Land and Environment Committee office would like to thank the MVEIRB for consideration of this request and look forward to our continued participation in the Consolidated Goldwin and Sidon



environmental assessments. We trust the information we have requested placed on those registries meets with your approval.

Sincerely,  
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