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Dear Mr. Cliffe-Phillips,

Re: Notice of Preliminary Screening Determination – Application for Land Use Permit – Arrowhead and Netla 13-well Abandonment Near Fort Liard, NT

The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (Board) met on August 15, 2019 and considered the Application from Canadian Natural Resources Ltd. (CNRL)] for Type A Land Use Permit (Permit) MV2019X0014 for the Arrowhead and Netla 13-well Abandonment (Project) near Fort Liard, NT, in accordance with the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA).

The Board conducted a preliminary screening based on the Application and the public review. Based on the evidence provided, the Board is satisfied the screening has been completed as per section 125 of the MVRMA and has decided **not to refer** the project to environmental assessment. The Preliminary Screening Report includes the Board's reasons for decision, as required by section 121 of the MVRMA (attached).

If the Board does not receive notice of referral to environmental assessment, it will proceed with the issuance of Permit MV2019X0014 on August 27, 2019.

Our Board and staff look forward to continued communications throughout the pause period. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact Shelagh Montgomery at (867) 766-7457 or email <a href="mailto:smontgomery@mvlwb.com">smontgomery@mvlwb.com</a>.

Yours sincerely,

Chair, MVLWB

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Attached: Preliminary Screening Report, including Reasons for Decision