

8 October 2021

Chuck Hubert, Senior Environmental Assessment Officer

Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
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Yellowknife NT X1A 2N7

Re: Response to Draft Terms of Reference Comments for the Proposed Pine Point Project, EA2021-01

Dear Chuck,

Pine Point Mining Limited (PPML) has submitted their responses to the draft terms of reference for the proposed Pine Point Project on the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (MVEIRB) Online Review System. Responses have been provided to reviewer comments. As well, as discussed in the meeting with MVEIRB staff on 12 August 2021, PPML have also provided clarifications or recommendations on the terms of reference themselves. PPML would be happy to further meet with MVEIRB staff to clarify responses and to discuss next steps in the process.

PPML appreciates the efforts of the Board, MVEIRB staff, and other reviewers on the review of the Environmental Assessment (EA) Initiation Package, as well as feedback and input from reviewers during scoping sessions and on the draft terms of reference. However, at this point in the process, having been the first proponent through the new EA Initiation Package process, PPML questions whether this process has worked as anticipated and will result in a focussed Developer's Assessment Report. A considerable amount of time and effort has been expended to get to the terms of reference stage; however, the process does not appear to have narrowed the issues, but instead has expanded the eventual scope, cost, and volume of the Developer's Assessment Report.

PPML looks forward to the revised terms of reference and working with all parties in the next steps of the EA process.

Should you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact the undersigned at 416-209-2056 or acwilliams@live.ca.

Regards,

Pine Point Mining Limited



Andrew Williams
Environmental Manager