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From: Louie Azzolini
Sent: Friday, May 11, 2001 4:40 PM
To: EAO2
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Subject: FW: CZN Reminder - Comments on Draft work plan and Draft Terms of Reference

Greg, the purpose of the draft documents is to identify what values need to be brought to the Board's attention. I appreciate your concerns and do not take them lightly. As a "public" you are not constrained in the same way government is. The purpose of having government experts provide comments in advance is to allow the environmental assessment officer time to synthesize the information into a second draft that the Board can consider. That is my way of saying you don't have to get information to the Board by the 11th. Just government does.

Sincerely,
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-----Original Message-----

From: CPAWS-NWT [mailto:cpaws-nwt@yellowknife.com]
Sent: Friday, May 11, 2001 4:22 PM
To: Louie Azzolini
Subject: Re: CZN Reminder - Comments on Draft work plan and Draft Terms of Reference

Hi Louie,

CPAWS won't be able to complete and submit comments on the draft terms of reference by May 11, 2001, and request a few extra days to do so.

However, I did note the length of time for the EAs set out in the EA Workplan. The draft workplan as currently set out appears to be unrealistically short in duration. Two recently completed EAs, on the 6-7 hole drill program and tote road re-establishment/fuel cache clean-up applications from Canadian Zinc, were originally scheduled to be approximately 6 months in length, and actually took around 7 months to complete.

In an April 17 letter from Canadian Zinc to the Board, the company claims they "would need to have environmental approval within the shortest possible time frame." Regardless of what the company claims they need, the purpose of EAs as set out in section 114 (b) & (c) of the MVRMA, is to "ensure that the impact on the environment of proposed developments receives careful consideration before actions are taken in connection with them" and "to ensure that the concerns of aboriginal people and the general public are taken into account in that process."

The current applications propose to undertake much more work than the previous two applications, therefore three months (less than half of the time it took to complete the previous two EAs) is an inadequate period of time to give 'careful consideration' to the environmental impacts of these three applications.

Also, in order for local residents and the general public to be involved in this process in a meaningful way, and letters received by the MVLWB & MVEIRB about this project indicate a high level of public concern, the process needs to be carried out at a pace appropriate to the needs of these people, not to meet the proponent's timeline.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Thursday, May 10, 2001 1:57 PM

Subject: CZN Reminder - Comments on Draft work plan and Draft Terms of Reference

On April 30, 2001 the the draft EA work plan and draft Terms or Reference (draft document) for the *Canadian Zinc Corporation Surface exploration, Underground Decline and Metallurgic Plant Operation Development* were distributed for comment, posted on the Review Board's web site and faxed to interested parties. The Review Board requested comments on the document on or before May 11, 2001 (see below) in order to finalize its work plan and Terms of Reference by May 18, 2001, one month from the start of the EA. If you require additional time to provide comments on the draft document please let the Review Board know how much time you need and why you need it. The next meeting scheduled for May 17 and 18.

[Louie Azzolini] emailed May 30, 2001.

[Louie Azzolini] Attached is a draft EA work plan and draft Terms or Reference (draft document) for the *Canadian Zinc Corporation Surface exploration, Underground Decline and Metallurgic Plant Operation Development proposal*. Please consider this draft document as a starting point. Feel free to tell the Review Board what changes you would like to see in the final document. I have already provided you CZN's digital files containing its Land Use Permit and Water Licence application information. Please consider the existing information, and in light of what is known, or not known, focus our collective efforts on those specific areas where you understand more careful consideration is warranted. Your expert input will be used to finalize the Terms of Reference. The Review Board is given all the comments and staff's draft document before taking any decision.