



Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

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Subject: Update for CGV, NAGRC and NSV (EA-03-002, EA-03-003, EA-03-004)

NOTES:

This fax is a reminder that the deadline for submitting comments on Gartner Lee Ltd.'s study and the responses of Consolidated Goldwin Ventures, North American General Resources Corp. and New Shoshoni Ventures is the **end of day October 24, 2003**.

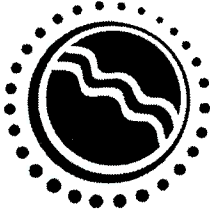
New additions to the public registry for this past week include:

- Procedural letter regarding developer's representation at the Public Hearing.
- Note to file of a talk with Rachel Crapeau, YKDFN, about weighting of traditional use evidence.

Also, the worksheet to prepare for the Pre-Hearing Conference is due **October 31, 2003**. A copy of the worksheet is attached and is also available on the web site. Please note items iii and iv

- Item iii should identify what you believe to be the critical elements for the environmental assessment decision.
- Item iv should identify areas or topics, if any, where you may disagree with information filed by other parties and any efforts made to resolve such issues.

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Note to File

Date: October 15, 2003

From: Sherry Sian, EAO

File: Consolidated Goldwin Ventures Diamond Exploration Program in Drybones Bay (File EA-03-002)

North American General Resources Corporation's Diamond Exploration Program in Wool Bay (File EA-03-003)

New Shoshoni Ventures Diamond Exploration in Drybones Bay (EA – 03-004)

Snowfield Development Corporation Diamond Exploration in Drybones Bay (EA-03-006)

Subject: Participation of Aboriginal parties and weighting of traditional use evidence

Rachel Crapeau of the Yellowknives Dene First Nation called about increasing aboriginal parties for the Drybones/Wool Bay environmental assessments. I indicated that the Review Board accepted parties into these proceedings based on a reasonable expectation that parties may use the area due to geographic proximity. This is not recognition of status for negotiations (cited letter to Deninu K-ue First Nation).

Rachel noted in Kris Johnson's letter that information had been withdrawn from the Registry due to confidentiality concerns. I explained that the North Slave Métis Alliance wanted their information incorporated into Gartner Lee Ltd.'s maps to protect use areas.

Rachel went on to describe her concern about how the Review Board would weight the evidence presented by each party based on the intensity and history of traditional use in

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traditional territories. She explained that historically, the Dogrib, Slavey and Yellowknives entered into an agreement for trapping and shared use at a time when trapping was the main source of income (while wildlife under authority of the Game Warden for DIAND). She indicated that shared use did not mean a change to traditional territories. The agreement only ensured all could earn an income from trapping.

I explained that the Review Board makes the determination as to what factors will be considered in weighting the evidence. I promised to provide a note to file on her concern for the Review Board's consideration.

Pre-Hearing Conference Worksheet

Proposed Diamond Exploration in Drybones/Wool Bay by Consolidated Goldwin Ventures (EA-03-002), North American General Resource Corp. (EA-03-003), and New Shoshoni Ventures (EA-03-004)

i. Party/Intervenor:

ii. Name(s) of Representatives:

iii. Issues to be Addressed at the Public Hearing:

iv. Disputed Issues:

<i>Issues over which there is disagreement</i>	<i>Efforts made to reach agreement</i>	<i>Describe Why Issues Was Not Resolved</i>	<i>Resolution Requested by MVEIRB</i>

v. Documents Required of Other Parties:

<i>Document</i>	<i>Reason for Request</i>

vi. Expert Witness(es) to be Used, if any:

A resume should be included for all individuals listed. This resume should include educational background and relevant project history.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Reason for Using Expert Witness</i>

vii. Technical Requirements for the Public Hearing:

viii. Other Requirements at the Public Hearing (i.e., translation, etc.):
