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Vern Christensen, Executive Director
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
PO Box 938
Yellowknife, NT
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Re: Announcing Intention To Apply For A Class "A" Land-Use Permit - Drybones Bay Area, Great Slave Lake, Northwest Territories

Dear Sir:

I would take this opportunity to advise the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board ("MVEIRB") that Snowfield Development Corp ("Snowfield") is in the process of applying to the MacKenzie Valley Land and Water Board for a Class "A" Land-Use Permit (the "Permit Application") covering various mineral claims we hold, or have option agreements over, to the east and north of Drybones Bay, Great Slave Lake, Northwest Territories. We would like to undertake exploration work on these properties commencing in the fall of 2003. In this regard, Snowfield would welcome the opportunity to discuss the exploration activities and land-use-permit with the MVEIRB at your convenience. Please find attached a map displaying the areas of those mineral claims for which we are seeking a land-use permit.

Snowfield is proposing to name the project detailed under this Permit Application - the "Ticho Project." The Ticho Project Permit Application covers the following mineral claims or claim groups: the Mud Lake Claim Group - under an agreement with Mr. David Smith of Yellowknife, NT, Snowfield holds mineral exploration rights on the Drybones 4 - Claim Tag #F29229, Drybones 5 - Claim Tag #F29230, Beck 1 - Claim Tag #F16606, Beck 3 - Claim Tag #F16608, Beck 4 - Claim Tag #F16609, Beck 6 - Claim Tag #F16611, Habanero - Claim Tag #F16625, Faya - Claim Tag #F16648, and Pyrope - Claim Tag #F16626 mineral claims covering approximately 13,709.7 acres (5,548.12 hectares) located approximately 6km southeast of the Drybones Bay area on Map Sheet 85 I/4 in the south Mining District of the Northwest Territories; the Hurcomb Claim - under an agreement with Ms. Fran Hurcomb of Yellowknife, NT, Snowfield holds mineral exploration rights on the Hurcomb Claim - Claim Tag #F16594 mineral claim covering approximately 2,582.52 acres (1,045.10 hectares) located approximately 12km south of the Drybones Bay area on Map Sheet 85 I/4; the Red Claims Group - under the Red Claims Group, staked on behalf of Snowfield by Mr. David Smith of Yellowknife, NT, Snowfield holds mineral exploration rights on the Red 1 - Claim Tag #80811, Red 2 - Claim Tag #80812, Red 3 - Claim Tag #80813, Red 4 - Claim Tag #80814, Red 5 - Claim Tag #80815, Red 6 - Claim Tag #80816, and Red 7 - Claim Tag #80817 mineral claims covering approximately 17,612.65 acres (7,181.58 hectares) located approximately 9km east of the Drybones Bay area on Map Sheet 85 I/4; the Fate Claim - under an agreement with New Shoshoni Ventures Ltd. of Vancouver, B.C., Snowfield holds the mineral exploration rights on the Fate Mineral Claim, Claim Tag # F75733 covering approximately 2,479.2 acres (1,003.30 hectares), located at Defeat Lake, approximately 26km northeast of the Drybones Bay area on Map Sheet 85 I/5; and the GTen 16 Claim - under an agreement with 644981 B.C. Ltd. of Vancouver, B.C., Snowfield holds mineral exploration rights on the GTen 16 Mineral Claim, Claim Tag # F75684 covering approximately 1,033.0 acres (418.04 hectares), located approximately 20km east-northeast of the Drybones Bay area on Map Sheet 85 I/3.

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The proposed exploration work to be undertaken on these various mineral claims will include geochemical till sampling, ground and airborne geophysics (magnetometer and HLEM surveys) and, thereafter, diamond drilling seasonally over a four-year period. Snowfield is proposing to establish a camp and equipment storage/staging area to be named "The Pebble Beach Camp," approximately 75 meters back from the shoreline of Great Slave Lake at approximately N62° 07' 02" (lat) - W113° 45' 50" (long) (UTM Co-ordinates 355308 East / 6890125 North). At various times during the period from September 2003 through October 2005, the proposed camp will accommodate up to 20 persons, or have the capacity to expand to that size, and be comprised of up to 5 - 6 sleep tents, kitchen/dining tent, office/first-aid tent and wash/shower tent. Each tent will have a wooden frame and 3/4 inch plywood floor mounted on 2 x 6 beams. Mobilization of the equipment to the claim areas will be either by ice road from Yellowknife and existing road cuts/trails on the claims during winter months or by helicopter as terrain and environmental conditions dictate. Exploration sites and the camp and environs will be kept in a clean and orderly condition during exploration operations so as to minimize the attraction of bears and wildlife and to restore the land to its original state. Wildlife will not be disturbed by exploration crews in any way; both wildlife and local land-users will have first right-of-way during Snowfield exploration activities. As detailed in the Permit Application, Snowfield and any of its contractors will implement detailed environmental protection practices along with being aware of, and totally protecting, all known cultural, archaeological or historical sites.

During March and April 2003, under an option agreement with Diamonds North Resources Ltd., Snowfield, completed a thirty-day diamond drilling exploration program undertaken on the GTen 1, 2, 3 and 5 mineral claims near Drybones Bay under Land Use Permit MV2002C0044. During this exploration program, thirty days of temporary employment was provided to local aboriginal men and the Yellowknifes Dene First Nation ("YKDFN") community at Dettah provided two environmental observers who were located at Drybones Bay in the immediate area of the exploration project. Snowfield was led to understand that those observers were fully satisfied with the exploration methods and environmental clean up undertaken by Snowfield.

During its exploration activities, Snowfield is committed to hiring locally to the greatest extent possible; opportunities can be expected to increase as exploration progresses beyond a few technical personnel. As a condition of contract, any contractors such as drillers etc. will be required, wherever possible, to hire locally. Longer-term regional benefits that could result from these exploration activities are entirely dependent upon the future success of Snowfield's exploration results.

On April 2, 2003, Snowfield and several other resource companies attended the community of Dettah to participate in a land use consultation meeting with the YKDFN with respect to the Drybones Bay and Wool Bay areas. As a result of that meeting, Snowfield became apprised with the cultural, spiritual and historical significance of the Drybones Bay and Wool Bay areas to local First Nations members. It is Snowfield's intention to continue communicating with the aboriginal leaders and communities prior to the commencement of any exploration activities, and, thereafter, on an ongoing basis with respect to its exploration efforts in the area.

We look forward to working co-operatively on an ongoing basis with the MVEIRB on the Ticho Project.

Yours very truly,


Robert T. Paterson
President
Snowfield Development Corp.

Attach.