

Martin Haefele

From: david@canadianzinc.com
Sent: February 8, 2005 1:40 PM
To: Martin Haefele
Cc: alan@canadianzinc.com
Subject: RE: Prairie Creek Phase III Drilling EA (EA0405-002) - next steps

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Yellow

Hello Martin. Thanks for your email. CZN is not opposed to having a representative attend such meetings. However, we expect such meetings will entail many questions about the whole site, and the possibility of a mine. While this may not be such a bad thing, the result is it would not be a focussed scoping session. Nevertheless, we realise a commitment to effective consultation is important, and we would gladly participate.

From a practical perspective, the week March 6-11 is not good. We would want Rita Cli, our Community Liaison Officer in Simpson, to attend any local meetings, and PDAC in Toronto is that week. Chief Bertrand from Liard and Chief Norweigan (Keyna) from Simpson will also likely attend the PDAC. If you mean the week before, that may be OK, as well as the two other weeks between now and then, the sooner the better from our perspective.

Please let me know, and I will find out about Rita's availability.

Regards.

. David:

>
> I believe I told you already that the Board wants to hold scoping
> sessions in the communities. We are currently preparing some
> correspondence to gauge the interest for that in the communities and
> among the other parties. The point of these sessions would be to:
> a) explain our process to the communities;
> b) give them an update on what is proposed as development;
> c) hear from them what the real issues are;
> d) to the extent possible get questions and issues out of the way; and
> e) manage expectations for what is included in the scope of the EA.
>
> We are aiming at a community tour (and possibly a session here in YK
> for government and NGO) during the first week of March. This would be
> rather informal sessions, board members would not attend.
>
> My question to you is: would Canadian Zinc consider sending a
> representative to these meetings to present the development and
> possibly answer some questions the community might have?
>
> regards
> Martin
>
>
> ---
> Martin Haefele
> Environmental Assessment Officer
> Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
>

> P.O. Box 938, 5102 - 50th Ave
> Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N7
> Tel: (867) 766-7053
> Fax: (867) 766-7074

> -----Original Message-----

> From: david@canadianzinc.com [mailto:david@canadianzinc.com]
> Sent: February 3, 2005 1:20 PM
> To: Martin Haefele
> Cc: alan@canadianzinc.com
> Subject: Re: Prairie Creek Phase III Drilling EA (EA0405-002) - next
> steps

> Thank you Martin. That is good to hear. As I said, we put a fair bit
> of effort into the decription, so it is gratifying to hear that we may
> be able to avoid the assessment document step. Good luck with your
> scoping sessions. Please keep us informed.

> Regards.

>> David:

>> Sorry I didn't get back to you early in the week as I had promised.
>> The Review Board did indeed discuss the project during their meeting
>> on Monday. The Board recognizes that the project that is being
>> assessed is an exploration project only, not a mine, and that the EA
>> needs to be scoped accordingly. Given the sensitive location and the
>> history of the file, the Board decided to proceed very cautiously
>> with

>> scoping so the process is less likely to be de-railed at a later
>> point

>> by any of the parties.

>> To that effect we will be holding some scoping meetings in the
>> potentially affected communities (staff only, so this should be
>> happening fairly quickly) and the Board itself will hold a
>> scoping/strategy workshop where they will go over the file, and the
>> information gathered in the scoping sessions to determine what issues
>> or questions remain with the drilling program. The Board discussed
>> foregoing a developer's assessment report and obtaining missing
>> information, if any, through some information requests. A final
>> decision will obviously have to wait until the scoping is done.

>> In the meantime, we have sorted the files we have on Prairie Creek
>> and

>> now have a much better idea what has already been done.

>> In summary, you should expect a final work plan in March that focuses
>> on a few issues.

>> regards

>> Martin

>> ---
>> Martin Haefele
>> Environmental Assessment Officer

>> Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

>>

>> P.O. Box 938, 5102 - 50th Ave

>> Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N7

>> Tel: (867) 766-7053

>> Fax: (867) 766-7074

>>

>>

>

>