



Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

Our file: EA0506-005 and EA0506-006

Monday, March 26, 2007

To: Consolidated Gold Win Ventures and Sidon International Resources EA Distribution Lists

Re: Notification of combined public hearings and other hearing preparation matters

Dear Parties and members of the public,

Combined public hearings

At its meeting on Friday, March 23, 2007, the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) gave consideration to concerns expressed by the Parties during the March 14, 2007, Pre-Hearing Conference regarding the holding of separate public hearings for Consolidated Goldwin Ventures' (EA0506-005) and Sidon International Resources' (EA0506-006) proposed mineral exploration projects. It was the general preference of the Parties in attendance at the Pre-Hearing Conference that the public hearings for the two developments be combined.

The Review Board has agreed with the Parties regarding this matter and passed a motion at its meeting to combine the two public hearings into one common public hearing to be held on April 3rd and 4th, 2007. However, the Review Board strongly stresses the need for clarity in the submissions and presentations that will be given by the Parties and members of the public where there are distinctions to be made between the two developments. Because the majority of the concerns expressed on the public record to date about the developments tend to be cumulative in nature and common to both projects, the Review Board wishes to emphasize that where Parties have concerns regarding a specific site, or regarding only one of the two developments, that this be explicitly stated.

Submission of presentations

Parties or members of the public intending to deliver presentations are requested to submit those presentations along with a summary sheet by the end of the day tomorrow (Tuesday, March 27, 2007). The summary must fit onto one side of a sheet of paper, with font size no smaller than 10-point and it should be written in a plain language, non-technical style that will be appropriate to the wide range of parties involved in the public hearing.

Proposed agenda

The Review Board has developed a proposed agenda for the public hearing, which is attached to this notification. While the Review Board will attempt to adhere to the agenda as is practicably possible, the Review Board maintains the right to modify the agenda prior to, or at the time of the hearing, if it deems it in its interest to do so.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience by phone at (867)-766-7062 or by email at pduxbury@mveirb.nt.ca if you would like to discuss any of these matters further.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patrick Duxbury".

Patrick Duxbury, Environmental Assessment Officer

**Environmental Assessment of
Consolidated Gold Win Ventures' and Sidon
International Resources' Mineral Exploration Programs**

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Public Hearing
Tuesday, April 3rd, 2007 &
Wednesday, April 4th, 2007
Copper Room, Yellowknife Inn
Yellowknife, NT

Proposed Agenda

Day 1 – Tuesday, April 3rd, 2007

- 1:00 pm** Prayer and opening remarks by MVEIRB Chair
- 1:10 pm** Review of EA Process and Hearing Purpose
- 1:25 pm** Presentation by developers
Questions and answers
- 2:30 pm** Presentation by Yellowknives Dene First Nation
Questions and answers
- 3:00 pm** Break
- 3:15 pm** Presentation by Yellowknives Dene First Nation con't
Questions and answers
- 3:45 pm** Presentations by Elders and members of the public
- 5:00 pm** Closing Remarks by MVEIRB Chair

Day 2 – Wednesday, April 4th, 2007

- 9:00 am** Prayer and opening remarks by MVEIRB Chair
- 9:10 am** Presentation by North Slave Métis Alliance
Questions and answers

- 10:00 am** Presentation by Government of the Northwest Territories – Prince of Wales Heritage Centre
Questions and answers
- 10:30 am** Break
- 10:45 am** Presentation by Government of the Northwest Territories – Environment and Natural Resources
Questions and answers
- 11:25 am** Presentation by the Department of Fisheries and Ocean
Questions and answers
- 11:45 am** Presentation by Environment Canada
Questions and answers
- 12:00 pm** Lunch break
- 1:15 pm** Presentation by Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
Questions and answers
- 1:55 pm** Presentation by Northwest Territory Métis Nation
Questions and answers
- 2:45 pm** Break
- 3:00 pm** Presentation by Deninue Kue First Nation
Questions and answers
- 3:50 pm** Presentations by members of the public
- 4:20 pm** Closing remarks by developers
- 4:40 pm** Closing remarks by MVEIRB chair