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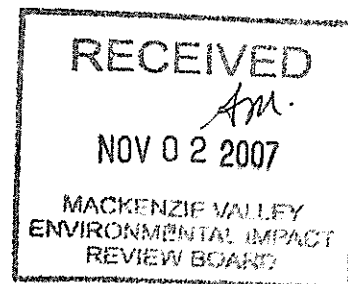
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**Re: Undertaking #1: Identify for the Public Record any Programs the federal government runs, contributes to, knows about, or is considering developing, where traditional harvesters who have been displaced from their livelihoods (particularly from- but not limited to- effects of natural resource development) can be assisted in the transition to other economic pursuits, and to deal with the social and cultural impacts of these transitions.**

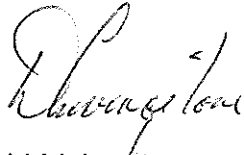
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) is pleased to respond to the above-noted undertaking, as requested at the Tamerlane Environmental Assessment Hearing in Fort Resolution on October 16, 2007.

Human Resources and Social Development Canada (HRSDC) has prepared a strategy that provides support through the Community Economic Development Program (CEDP). The CEDP assists First Nation and Inuit communities in promoting economic development in their communities in partnership with other levels of government and the private sector. This initiative is called the Aboriginal Human Resource Development Agreement (AHRDA); this program is funded by the federal government and delivered by the respective regional Tribal Councils.

If displaced harvesters require assistance in developing a business venture, INAC's Northwest Territories Region can assist through the Community Economic Opportunities Program (CEOP), which is managed by the Indian & Inuit Services Directorate. Further information is available from the Manager of Aboriginal Economic Development, Mr. Altaf Lakhani, who can be reached at 867-669-2623.

If you have any questions about this undertaking, please contact Lionel Marcinkoski by phone at 867-669-2591 or via email at [marcinkoskil@inac.gc.ca](mailto:marcinkoskil@inac.gc.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David Livingstone".

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Cc. Altaf Lakhani, Manager, Aboriginal Economic Development, Indian & Inuit  
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