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Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board  
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**RE: Comments on Draft Terms of Reference**

Dear Ms. Testart,

Our comments on the Draft Terms of Reference for EA0708-001 (Mineral Exploration at Howard's Pass) issued by the MVEIRB on December 21, 2007 follow.

**Scope of Development:**

The first item in the bulleted list of activities does not fully describe the terrain and method of drill movement. We suggest that the item be modified as follows:

- Drilling of up to 100 drill holes in alpine and sub-alpine terrain using helicopter and cat-movable diamond drill rigs, within identified claim and lease blocks.

**Scope of the Environmental Assessment:**

In the second paragraph, Woodland Caribou are referred to as a "threatened species". Species designations are determined federally by Environment Canada through the COSEWIC (Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada). Specifically, COSEWIC assesses wild species and makes determinations with regard to threat levels. The current COSEWIC designation for Woodland Caribou, Northern Mountain Population, is "Special Concern". We suggest that the wording of this paragraph be modified to reflect the current COSEWIC designation of Woodland Caribou.

**Specific Items, Summary:**

Under Summary, 1.1, please clarify who will be responsible for translating the executive summary into French and North Slavey.

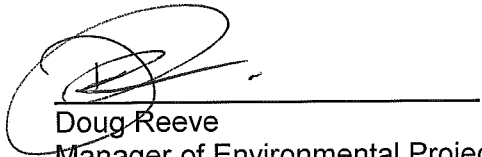
**Specific Items, Development Description:**

Under Sections 3.4 and 3.5, drill cores are listed as waste. Drill cores are a permanent record of subsurface bedrock geology, and are the most valuable product of a sub-surface exploration program. We suggest that Sections 3.4 and 3.5 be modified as follows:

- 3.4 *Drilling Activities:* Provide a description of the manner drilling, including a description of additives used, their potential to create impacts and any mitigation strategies. Describe how drill core will be transported and where it will be stored.
- 3.5 *Waste Management:* Provide detailed waste management plans, considering all types and quantities of waste, and drill cuttings resulting from the development. This should include a brief discussion of the proposed waste disposal facilities, regardless of geographic location.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at our office at any time at +1 (604) 682-5474 ext. 262.

Respectfully,  
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