

May 25, 2009

The Honourable Chuck Strahl, P.C., M.P.  
Minister, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
10 Wellington Street North Tower  
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**RE: Closure of Environmental Assessment files EA0708-002 (Uravan Minerals Inc. South Boomerang Lake Mineral Exploration Project) and EA0708-003 (Uravan Minerals Inc. North Boomerang Lake Mineral Exploration Project)**

Dear Minister Strahl,

The Review Board issued *Reports of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision* on the two above-noted files to your office on September 11, 2008. The Review Board recommended both proposed developments be rejected in accordance with section 128 (1)(d) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*. It was the Review Board's conclusion that both developments would likely cause adverse cultural impacts on Aboriginal people so significant they could not be justified.

On May 7, 2009, Uravan Minerals Inc. issued a letter to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board and the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board, giving formal notice of withdrawal of its Land Use Permit Applications MV2006C0008 and MV2007C0038, which related to these environmental assessments.

The Review Board met on May 20, 2009 to discuss the May 7<sup>th</sup> correspondence received from Uravan Minerals Inc. This letter is to advise you of the outcome of the Board's discussion in this regard.

Given the developer's withdrawal of the permit applications related to the environmental assessments, the Review Board decided to close environmental assessment files EA0708-002 and EA0708-003. The environmental assessments of the proposed Uravan Minerals Inc. South Boomerang Lake Mineral Exploration and Uravan Minerals Inc. North Boomerang Lake Mineral Exploration developments are now officially closed.

Regards,

  
Richard Edjericon  
Chairperson

Cc: Larry Lahusen, Uravan Minerals Inc.