



## Athabasca Denesuliné Negotiation Team

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Dear Mr. MacDonald,

### **RE: Evidence Transfer and Scoping Questions for Upper Thelon Environmental Assessments**

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Our answers below cover the ADNT position in relation to all of the EAs.

*1a) Which documents from EA0607-003 do we want on the draft evidence list?*

We would like our presentation from 2007-01-16- Athabasca Denesuline Comments to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board on the Proposed Ur Energy Development in the Thelon Basin January 2007- carried over. This presentation clearly outlines our concerns for that project, all of which are equally valid concerning any new development near the Thelon Basin.

*1b) Do we think the hearing transcript from EA0607-003 should be on the public record?*

We have no concerns about it being on the public record.

*2b) Important issues we feel need to be considered for the current EAs.*

We feel that the following must be addressed in the EAs:

- Potential effects on wildlife and habitats, as these project areas coincide with caribou water crossings and migration routes;
- Disruption of special ecological and cultural places;
- Potential effects on traditional land uses.

Regarding the above points, our position was, and still is, that **no development should take place in the Thelon Basin without the establishment of adequate land use plans and protection measures.**

*c/o Prince Albert Grand Council*

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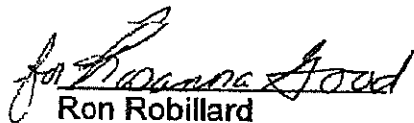
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A request for party status form is attached.

Yours Sincerely,



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Athabasca Denesuline Submission to MVEIRB

Project: EA 0506-003 Ur Energy

	<b>Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board</b> <b>FORM 1</b> <b>Request for Party Status</b>
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Name of Organization:	Athabasca Denesuline Negotiation Team (ADNT)
Name of Proceeding:	EA0506-003 Ur Energy Screech Lake Environmental Assessment

**Reasons for requesting Party Status in these proceedings.**

The ADNT represents three First Nations within whose Traditional Territory this proposed development is located. The Athabasca Denesuline have concerns about the development including its overlap with traditional activities, important wildlife habitat and special ecological places. The ADNT are currently and actively negotiating a resource harvesting agreement with the Governments of Canada and the Northwest Territories. As a consequence of these negotiations the ADNT and Governments have entered into an Interim Measures Agreement concerning consultation protocols. The geographic extent of this IMA encompasses that of the proposed development.

**Participation:**

Please describe how you or your organization intends to participate in this proceeding, such as what information, witnesses, or presentations you plan to submit.

The ADNT will participate in the process by preparing a written submission given our limited resources.

If you represent a Responsible Minister or Responsible Authority please state which one. List the licences, permits or authorizations issued by your organization relevant to this proceeding.

The ADNT represents the Black Lake, Fond du Lac and Hatchet Lake First Nations.

**Contact Information:**

Please confirm the organization's contact information and the name of the primary contact person for Board correspondence purposes.

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