



# Giant Mine Environmental Assessment

## IR Response

Round One: Information Request - NSMA #15

May 31, 2011

### INFORMATION REQUEST RESPONSE

**EA No: 0809-001**

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**Date Received:**

February 28, 2011

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**Request:**

What process was used to determine the size and shape of the North Slave Métis Land Claim Area?

**Reference to DAR (relevant DAR Sections):**

Section 7.6 Aboriginal Interests

**Reference to the EA Terms of Reference:**

3.2.3 Description of Existing Environment

3.2.3.12 Historic and present past land usage, with the identification of traditional land use groups and areas of overlapping land usage

**Response:**

Figure 7.6.1 Aboriginal Land Claim Areas in the Developer's Assessment Report (DAR) represents established interests in the lands on and adjacent to Giant Mine per historic or modern treaties or potential interests being actively negotiated. Canada is not engaged in negotiations with the North Slave Métis Alliance (NSMA) as the NSMA has not established that it is a group that officially represents Aboriginal rights holders. Hence, Figure 7.6.1 does not depict the size and shape of the land claimed by the NSMA.

