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**RE: EA0809-002, Prairie Creek Mine, Canadian Zinc Corp., Request for Ruling**

Environment Canada (EC) has reviewed the Request for Ruling submitted by Parks Canada (PC) to the Board on August 16<sup>th</sup> 2011 and the Board's request of August 17<sup>th</sup> 2011 for comments on a specific point in the Requested quoted below:

“a) Require the proponent to provide an evaluation of the potential impacts, significance of impacts and identification of mitigative or remedial measures for water storage pond options.”

EC is in support of PC's Request for Ruling. The items raised in the Request are important issues that need to be addressed for parties to properly assess the impacts of the project on the environment and that sufficient time is needed for parties to undertake their assessments. In particular, EC is also in support of additional water storage capacity for the project, as stated by PC in the Request in Addendum 1, Part A. We further agree with PC that “these options must be assessed to ensure they are appropriate and to ensure adequate mitigation is identified.”

Please do not hesitate to contact Jane Fitzgerald at (867) 669-4746 or by e-mail at [jane.fitzgerald@ec.gc.ca](mailto:jane.fitzgerald@ec.gc.ca) with any questions or comments.

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