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January 22, 2009

Mr. Alistair MacDonald
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Re: EA 0809-002: Canadian Zinc Corporation Prairie Creek Mine Applications.

Dear Mr. MacDonald;

Liidlii Kue First Nation (LKFN) is aware of correspondence from Ecojustice an environmental legal firm from Vancouver claiming to represent (power of attorney) Dehcho First Nations and CPAWS an environmental group. This Ecojustice group is working very hard to disrupt the regulatory process Canadian Zinc Corp is currently involved in.

The Environmental Assessment request for the winter road works leading up to the start up phase for production is excessive and hurts the viability of the project especially in these uncertain economic times.

I refer and attach our letter of October 21, 2008 previously sent to the Review Board where LKFN has informed the Board of the importance of this project for long term economic benefits and employment. We also reference INAC support for funding IBA negotiations; to date we have received commitment from INAC to fund negotiation process.

Our October 2008 letter also states the need for federal government support in developing resource management policies for LKFN to meet resource pressures and more clearly define consultation and accommodation. No long term plan is in play to support our request.

Ecojustice has not consulted with LKFN at any level, and has not informed LKFN it was sending correspondence to the Review Board on our behalf through DFN. Finally it is a recognizable trend of these environmental groups to halt all development without first trying to find a solution to resource development, and harmonize industrial activity with the integrity of the land. For these reasons Ecojustice does not represent the interests of LKFN on this project. Please use this information when the Board is formulating their decision.

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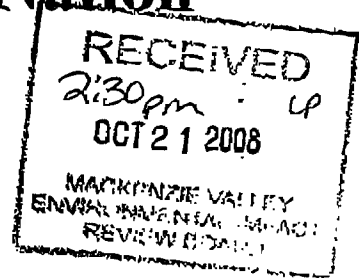
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October 21, 2008

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Re: EA 0809-002: Canadian Zinc Corporation Prairie Creek Mine Applications.

Dear Mr. MacDonald;

Liidlii Kue First Nation (LKFN) has been in many discussions on various matters with Canadian Zinc Corporation (CZN) relating to the Prairie Creek Mine exploration, development and now operational applications. To formalize this relation we have now signed a Memorandum of Understanding with CZN relating to the Prairie Creek Mine in order to move ahead in a constructive manner so that our FN and the region can benefit from the economic stimulus this project will provide.

LKFN is very supportive in furthering the advancement of the Prairie Creek site towards operations, as long as this is done in a responsible environmental manner, so that the community and region may benefit from the economic input it would create. This will be the first mining project to provide opportunities for people in the Dehcho and the economic importance of the proposed development is substantial. The transition to this type of life style will come with challenges, but we think it is a step in the right direction. Based on the recent meetings held in the region, there seems to be considerable regional support.

The regulatory process facilitates participation however resources afforded this FN through federal sources is not reflective of the inherent rights to govern ourselves and support development of our own resource management regime. The MOU has formalized a working arrangement to pursue economic opportunities it remains to be seen if the federal government will support the IAB discussions. In addition to economic issues; resource management is virtually non-existent LKFN depends far too much on INAC to look after our wellbeing. Therefore there may be issues that are not forecasted in any environmental reviews specific to our interests. The Board must recommend more resource to LKFN to develop a resource management regime to complement environmental review activities

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as well as present and future monitoring of this and other resource development pressure in this area. LKFN has demonstrated its capacity to handle more government services to our membership and community, the Board and Government must acknowledge this and recommend further resource to make advancement on major issues facing the regulatory regime such as duty to consult and accommodate.

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