



December 8, 2011

The Honourable John Duncan
Minister, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
EXECUTIVE OFFICES
10 Wellington Street
Gatineau, Quebec K1A 0H4

Dear Minister Duncan,

RE: Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision on the Canadian Zinc Corporation, proposed Prairie Creek Mine (EA0809-002)

The Mackenzie Valley Review Board is pleased to submit the attached Report of Environmental Assessment on the Canadian Zinc Corporation, Prairie Creek Mine.

It is the Review Board's opinion that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant adverse impacts on the environment or be a cause of significant public concern. The Review Board has therefore determined that an environmental impact review of this proposed development need not be conducted in accordance with paragraph 128(1)(a) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*. Therefore this development may proceed to the regulatory phase after the 10 day waiting period, pursuant to s.s 129(a) of the Act. This decision is subject to implementation of the developer's commitments made during the environmental assessment.

The Review Board would be pleased to respond to any questions you may have regarding this environmental assessment.

Sincerely



Richard Edjericon
Chairperson