

# *Nahʔa Dehé Dene Band*

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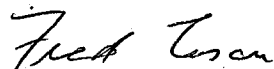
Dear Mr. Hubert,

The MVEIRB has requested that the Nahʔa Dehé Dene Band (NDDB) send a covering letter to confirm that the June 3<sup>rd</sup> technical submission submitted to the Board by NDDB was authorized by Chief and Council. We understand that Canadian Zinc Corporation wanted this verification on the record.

For the Board's information, NDDB Chief and Council authorized the preparation of the technical submission, were briefed in advance of the content and recommendations made in the submission, and support the recommendations.

For further clarity, however, nothing in the submission states or is intended to state that NDDB does not support the mine – only that NDDB wants as much certainty as possible that the operation of the mine will not cause undue or unnecessary harm to the environment. As noted in the submission, NDDB continues to seek an acceptable balance between economic benefit and environmental protection – and will continue to work with CZN and the regulators to find this balance.

Yours truly,



Chief Fred Tesou

Nahʔa Dehé Dene Band Council