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**RE: Request for technical sessions date change**

Dear Mr. Hubert:

I am writing this letter in support of Dehcho First Nations' request to alter the Canadian Zinc Technical Session dates to the week of October 11<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>. Dehcho First Nations and Parks Canada collaboratively manage Nahanni National Park Reserve through the Naha Dehe Consensus Team. Parks Canada considers Dehcho First Nations' direct involvement in the assessment of potential environmental effects on the ecological integrity of Nahanni as important, and we feel that Dehcho First Nations must be provided with the opportunity to participate to their fullest capacity.

Further, initially 25 days were allocated for the review of IR responses. Given the delay of 10 days from the date the information requests were promised to when they were readily available, and the large volume of information that was submitted, we believe technical sessions should be delayed. Maintaining the allocated number of days will ensure an adequate review by all parties and will ensure that a fair process is in place.

We look forward to and would like to thank you for the opportunity to participate in the technical sessions. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require clarification on our support and request for date adjustment.

Sincerely,

Chuck Blyth  
Superintendent  
Nahanni National Park Reserve