



October 13, 2015

Ms. Sachi De Souza
Environmental Assessment Officer
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
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Dear Ms. De Souza

RE: Environmental Assessment EA1415-001, Prairie Creek Mine
All Season Road and Airstrip DAR Addendum Adequacy

In reply to your letter of October 2, 2015 Canadian Zinc Corporation (CZN) provides responses to your requests below.

Clarification on the Airstrip

CZN included the airstrip at Km 55 in the scope of development from the beginning. We are aware that Parks Canada stated in its letter of April 8, 2015 that it “cannot authorize the lease, licence or occupation of easement to construct an airstrip within Nahanni National Park Reserve”. We do not agree with Parks Canada’s position, as we have noted in previous correspondence. Specifically, we believe the proposed airstrip is a ‘facility’ attached to the access road, and as such, can be authorized under the amended Parks Canada Act. However, the Board has decided that it cannot assess the airstrip because of Parks Canada’s position. While CZN is currently not contesting this point, we did want to complete our assessment of the airstrip so that a suitable basis is provided for potentially revisiting the development in the future.

During the EA, we have referred to, and shown, the location of an historical airstrip east of Wolverine Pass. This airstrip was used to support the 1980’s winter roads. We noted that CZN may elect to use this airstrip to support winter road construction, regulated by our existing winter road permits. Currently, we have no plans to use this airstrip to support the all season road.

Terrain Stability Mapping and Air Photo Assessment

CZN expects to submit a final report on the mapping and air photo assessment by the end of November, 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 604 688 2001.

Yours truly,
CANADIAN ZINC CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Harpley", is positioned above the printed name and title.

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