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Dear Mr. Lavoie,

**RE: Receipt of Environmental Impact Statement**

This letter acknowledges the Gahcho Kue Environmental Impact Review Panel's receipt of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010. The Panel is now conducting a conformity analysis of the EIS and will soon revisit the workplan and schedule of the review.

Once the Panel determines that the EIS is in conformity, an updated work plan will be issued. We are committed to a review that is both timely and effective.

Sincerely,

Darryl Bohnet  
Chair