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File: W2011C0004

Chief Edward Sangris and Chief Ted Tsetta Yellowknives Dene First Nation P.O. Box 2514 Yellowknife, NT X1A 2P8

Dear Chief Sangris and Chief Tsetta,

Re: Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board Request for Information Regarding Land Use Permit Application W2011C0004 (New Nadina Explorations, Ltd. – Mineral Exploration at Lac de Gras)

The Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board (WLWB) held a meeting on September 20, 2011 to consider the above-noted Land Use Permit application. After review of the engagement efforts undertaken by New Nadina, and having received a request for further studies from the Akaitcho Interim Measures Agreement Office, the WLWB determined that, pursuant to paragraph 22(2)(b) of the *Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations*, further studies were necessary prior to a decision regarding Land Use Permit Application W2011C0004.

Following submission of an updated 'Engagement Log' by the applicant (New Nadina Explorations Ltd.) on December 29, 2011, and WLWB staff correspondence with staff at both New Nadina and YKDFN, the WLWB now requires further information from the YKDFN in order to:

- 1. determine the adequacy of engagement between New Nadina and YKDFN;
- 2. ensure that the necessary mitigation measures are included in the Land Use Permit terms and conditions; and
- 3. proceed with a decision regarding the issuance of Land Use Permit W2011C0004.

Specifically, the WLWB requires the YKDFN to provide the Board with the following information:

- Identification of any potential issues of concern for the YKDFN and the potential impacts of this
 Land Use Permit application on: (1) the environment, (2) traditional use of the land by members
 of the YKDFN, and (3) cultural and heritage resources. Please refer specifically to potential
 impacts outside of those which may have already occurred in relation to activities permitted
 under MV2004C0036 (New Nadina Mineral Exploration at Lac de Gras).
- Any additions or revisions to the "Updated Engagement Log" submitted to the WLWB by New Nadina on December 29, 2011 (see attachment).

Any other comments on the impacts of this Land Use Permit application.

Please provide a response to the WLWB by January 20, 2012.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact Regulatory Specialist Brett Wheler at (867) 765-4590 or brett@wlwb.ca.

Sincerely,

Violet Camsell-Blondin

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Copied to: Todd Slack, YKDFN

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Ellen Clements, New Nadina Explorations Ltd.

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Attachments:

W2011C0004 - New Nadina - LUP Application - Updated Engagement Log - Dec 29_11

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