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Angela Love
Mackenzie Valley Land & Water Board
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Dear Ms. Love

Re: Enbridge Pipelines, Land Use Permit and Water License Applications (MV2017P0013 and MV2017L1-0002), LKFN Claim for Compensation Under the *Waters Act*

Liidlii Kue First Nation (“LKFN”) will not be submitting a claim for compensation under the *Waters Act*. The narrow scope of compensation claims under the *Act* does not recognize damages to Dene rights and title. Accordingly, it is an inadequate, antiquated and inappropriate vehicle to address the impact to Dene title and rights of LKFN and other Dene communities.

We are Dene and this is our land. Our Dene rights are communal in nature, as is our Dene title. Compensation claims under the *Act* only recognize private rights that can be easily quantized within the framework of the colonial economy. LKFN cannot be compensated under legislation that does not recognize the impacts on our rights.

Our decision not to file a claim for compensation under the *Act* is without prejudice to any future claims for infringements of our constitutionally protected Dene rights and title, or for failure of the Crown to uphold its duties to consult and accommodate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gerald Antoine', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Chief Gerald Antoine
Liidlii KueFirstNation