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Sent by email

Dear Mark Cliffe-Phillips,

Re: Prairie Creek Mine – Notice of Preliminary Screening Determination – Applications for Land Use Permit and Water Licence – Mining and Mineral Exploration, Prairie Creek, NT

The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (Board) met on August 26, 2021 and considered the Applications from Canadian Zinc Corporation (CZN) for Land Use Permit (Permit) MV2021D0005 and Water Licence (Licence) MV2021L2-0004 for the Prairie Creek Mine and Mineral Exploration (Project) in accordance with the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA).

The Board conducted a preliminary screening based on the public record for the proceedings. Based on the evidence provided, the Board is satisfied the screening has been completed according to section 125 of the MVRMA and has decided **not to refer** the Project to environmental assessment. The Board's Preliminary Screening Determination and Reasons for Decision, as required by section 121 of the MVRMA, are attached.

If the Board does not receive notice of referral to environmental assessment, it will continue with the regulatory proceeding on Tuesday, September 7, 2021.

The Board and staff look forward to continued communications throughout the pause period. Please contact Shelagh Montgomery at (867) 766-7457 with any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Yours sincerely,



Mavis Cli-Michaud

Chair, Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board

BCC'd to: Canadian Zinc Corporation Distribution List
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Attached: Preliminary Screening Determination and Reasons for Decision