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August 6, 2010

File: W2010C0005

Derrick Strickland
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Dear Mr. Strickland:

Complete Application, Type "A" – Mineral Exploration on the Ren Property (Itchen Lake, Point Lake)

This acknowledges receipt of your complete land use application on August 6, 2010. The Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board will be processing your application as per Section 22 (1)(b) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations.

Within 42 days of August 6, 2010, the Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board will take one of the following actions:

1. Issue a Type "A" permit, subject to any conditions included pursuant to Subsection 26(1);
2. order, pursuant to Subsection 24(1) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*, that a hearing be held or further studies or investigations be made respecting the lands proposed to be used in the land-use operation;
3. refer the application to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board for an environmental assessment pursuant to Subsection 125(1) of the *Act*; or
4. where a requirement set out in Section 61 or 62 of the *Act* has not been met, refuse to issue a permit.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, contact me at (867) 765-4590 or email brett@wlwb.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brett Wheler".

Brett Wheler
Regulatory Specialist

Copied to: Charlene Coe for Scott Stewart, South Mackenzie District, INAC