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To: All Parties to the environmental impact review being conducted by the Joint Review Panel for the proposed Mackenzie Gas Project

Re: Adjustments to the Joint Review Panel's Public Hearing Schedule – January 2007

On November 10, 2006 Justice Phelan of the Federal Court of Canada issued his Judgment in a court challenge initiated by the Dene Tha' First Nation concerning the proposed Mackenzie Gas Project. This Judgment has implications for the environmental impact review process being conducted by the Joint Review Panel (the Panel). As a result, the Panel has made the following decisions in relation to upcoming public hearings during the month of January 2007.

▪ **January 8 & 9, 2007 – Community Hearing in Inuvik**

The Panel will proceed with this hearing as scheduled:

January 8, 2007	6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
January 9, 2007	1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

▪ **January 9, 2007 – Open General Hearing in Inuvik**

The Panel will proceed with this hearing as scheduled:

January 9, 2007	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
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Deadline for Registration	December 8, 2006
Deadline for Written Submission	December 15, 2006

▪ **January 11 & 12, 2007 – Topic-Specific General Hearing on Project-Related Economic Costs and Physical Infrastructure Impacts (Topic 11)**

The Panel will proceed with this hearing in Inuvik as scheduled:

January 11, 2007	9 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
January 12, 2007	9 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Deadline for Registration	December 12, 2006
Deadline for Written Submission	December 15, 2006

This hearing is intended to consider infrastructure in the Northwest Territories. The Panel will not consider evidence on matters related to the Connecting Facilities or the territory in which the Dene Tha' First Nation have or have asserted aboriginal or treaty rights.

- **January 15 & 16, 2007 – Topic-Specific General Hearing on Responding to Socio-Cultural Impacts (Topic 13)**

The Panel has postponed this hearing. Rescheduling details will be communicated to all Parties when they become available.

- **January 15 & 16, 2007 – Continuation of the Topic-Specific General Hearing on Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat including Birds and Bird Habitat (Topic 7)**

The Panel will continue this Topic-Specific General Hearing that began in Inuvik on November 15 & 16, 2006 according to the following schedule:

January 15, 2007	1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
January 16, 2007	9 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

This hearing will take place in Inuvik.


- **January 18, 2007 – Community Hearing in Aklavik**

The Panel will proceed with this hearing as scheduled:

January 18, 2007	1:30 to 4:30 p.m. & 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
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The Panel will continue to carefully consider the remainder of its public hearing schedule in light of Justice Phelan's decision. The Panel will release details regarding the remainder of its schedule at a later date.

Sincerely,



Robert Hornal
Joint Review Panel Chair