

July 13, 2007

To: All Parties to the Environmental Impact Review being conducted by the Joint Review Panel of the Proposed Mackenzie Gas Project

Re: **Revised Public Hearings Schedule**
Revised *Guidance Document for Hearings*

Having ruled on the Motion filed by the Sierra Club of Canada and the World Wildlife Fund – Canada, the Joint Review Panel (the Panel) is now in a position to convene hearings on the remaining topics, namely:

- Cumulative Impacts (Topic 15)
- Sustainability and Project Contributions (Topic 16)
- Recommendations (Topic 17)
- Closing Remarks (Topic 18)

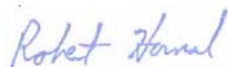
The *Guidance Document for Hearings* (revised July 13, 2007) provides updated information about the scope of these topics and associated subject matter the Panel expects to hear during these sessions. The *Guidance Document for Hearings* should be carefully reviewed by all Parties. Parties may, however, address other matters related to the hearing topics that they believe should be considered by the Panel.

The following documents are attached:

- a revised Public Hearings Schedule,
- a revised Summary of Filing Deadlines for Joint Review Panel Hearings,
- a revised *Guidance Document for Hearings*.

On November 10, 2006, a Judgment was issued by Justice Phelan of the Federal Court of Canada in a court challenge initiated by the Dene Tha' First Nation concerning the proposed Mackenzie Gas Project. This Order had the effect of requiring the Panel to postpone several of its scheduled hearings. Justice Phelan modified the original Order on January 30, 2007 to permit the Panel to address subject matters and complete hearings previously deferred. The Panel continues to be restrained by the Order in that it prohibits the Panel from issuing its final report until otherwise permitted by the Court.

Sincerely,



Robert Hornal
Joint Review Panel Chair