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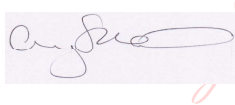
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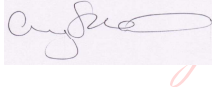
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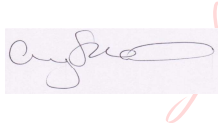
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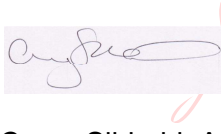
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Initiation of Consultation by the Government of Canada and the Government of the Northwest Territories on Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project Environmental Assessment (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

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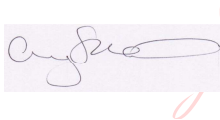
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Initiation of Consultation by the Government of Canada and the Government of the Northwest Territories on Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project Environmental Assessment (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

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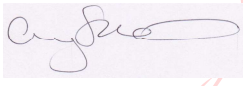
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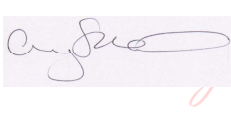
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Notification of Environmental Assessment for Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

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We want to hear from you

If you identify any potential adverse impacts to NSMA's rights with respect to the Project, we ask that you provide the following information to the Review Board:

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Initiation of Consultation by the Government of Canada on Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project Environmental Assessment (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

Dear Grand Chief Kochon,

The Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO), of the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency, on behalf of the Government of Canada, including the designated regulatory agency (the Canada Energy Regulator (CER)) are writing to Sahtu Dene Council to:

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- 3) Advise you that the Crown is relying, to the extent possible, on the Review Board's process to assist in fulfilling the Crown's duty to consult, and if appropriate, accommodate.

Background on the Project

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If you identify any potential adverse impacts to your asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights with respect to the Project, we ask that you provide the following information to the Review Board:

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At the end of the Review Board's process, the Review Board will issue its Report of EA. At that time, we will send another consultation letter prior to making a decision on the EA. We ask that you respond to that letter in writing to tell us whether the Review Board's conclusions, including any recommended mitigation measures and Imperial's commitments, adequately address potential adverse impacts from the Project on your asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights.

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We look forward to working with you throughout the Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation EA.

Sincerely,

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Notification of Environmental Assessment for Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

Dear Duane Smith,

The Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO), of the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency, on behalf of the Government of Canada, including the designated regulatory agency (the Canada Energy Regulator (CER)) are writing to the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation to:

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Notification of Environmental Assessment for Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

Dear Grand Chief Blake,

The Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO), of the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency, on behalf of the Government of Canada, including the designated regulatory agency (the Canada Energy Regulator (CER)) are writing to the Gwich'in Tribal Council to:

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Initiation of Consultation by the Government of Canada and the Government of the Northwest Territories on Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project Environmental Assessment (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

Dear President Erutse,

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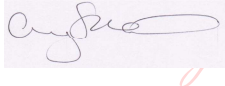
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The Project Assessment Branch of the Department of Environment and Climate Change will be the consultation coordinator for the GNWT. If you have any questions for the GNWT, please contact Lorraine Seale, Director, Impact Assessment and Security Management, at lorraine_seale@gov.nt.ca or (867) 767-9180 ext. 24020.

We look forward to working with you throughout the Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation EA.



Sincerely,

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Notification of Environmental Assessment for Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

Dear Chief Hope,

The Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO), of the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency, on behalf of the Government of Canada, including the designated regulatory agency (the Canada Energy Regulator (CER)) are writing to the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun to:

- 1) Notify you of, and invite you to participate in, the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board's (MVEIRB or Review Board) Environmental Assessment (EA) process for Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's (Imperial) Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation ([EA2526-01](#)) (the Project);
- 2) Encourage you to fully participate in the Review Board's EA process as a primary means to share information; and
- 3) Advise you that the Crown is relying, to the extent possible, on the Review Board's process to assist in fulfilling the Crown's duty to consult, and if appropriate, accommodate, should such a duty exist.

Background on the Project

On March 31, 2024, Imperial submitted a self-referral Request for EA to the Review Board for final closure and reclamation of the Norman Wells Operations. On April 23, 2025, the Review Board accepted the self-referral request and ordered an EA of the Project.

On May 12, 2025, the Review Board issued a [Notice of Proceeding](#) to indicate they will be organizing a coordinated scoping process for the EAs for this Project and the Norman Wells Operations Project ([EA2425-02](#)).

On June 3, 2025, the Review Board issued a [Notice of Proceeding](#) to indicate they will be hosting scoping information sessions in June and will facilitate in-person community scoping sessions in Fort Good Hope on June 24, 2025 and in Norman Wells on June 25, 2025. Technical scoping sessions in Yellowknife and additional community scoping sessions in Tulit'a and Délı̄ne are planned for September 2025.

Approach to Consultation with Indigenous Governments and Indigenous Organizations

The Government of Canada has a duty to consult and if appropriate, accommodate, where there may be potential adverse impacts to asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights resulting from the Crown's EA decision. The Government of Canada relies on the Review Board's process as the primary means to assist us in fulfilling our consultation and accommodation obligations in relation to the responsible ministers' decision on the Report of EA under Section 130 of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA). For further information on the Review Board's approach to consultation and engagement, please refer to their [Reference Bulletin on consultation and engagement in environmental impact assessment](#).

The CER is designated as an agent of the Crown under the *Canadian Energy Regulator Act* and also has a duty to consult and if appropriate accommodate potential adverse impacts to asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights resulting from its decisions. The CER is a designated regulatory agency under the MVRMA and must, therefore, make a decision on the Review Board's Report of EA under subsection 131(1) of the MVRMA. This decision is independent from, and in addition to, the responsible minister's decision. As a lifecycle regulator, the Commission of the CER will also make a decision on future application(s) related to closure and reclamation of the Norman Wells Operations under the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act*.

Throughout the Review Board's process, the Government of Canada actively monitors and tracks adverse impacts on asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights brought up by Indigenous Governments and Indigenous Organizations. Since we rely on the Review Board's process, your participation in this EA is important to help us understand if the Project could affect your asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights.

Participant funding

Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada will invite applications from individuals and groups seeking funding to support their participation in the EA process, through the [Northern Participant Funding Program](#). The intent of the funding is to provide resources to facilitate meaningful participation in the assessment. Further information will be made available on the Review Board's public registry. If you have any questions, please contact aidefinancierparticipants-participantfunding@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca.

We want to hear from you

If you identify any potential adverse impacts to your asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights with respect to the Project, we ask that you provide the following information to the Review Board:

- a. The specific rights that may potentially be adversely impacted;
- b. The specific potential adverse impacts; and
- c. How the potential adverse impacts might be mitigated or accommodated.

The information provided during the Review Board's EA process and discussed during the decision phase of the EA process will be given full and thorough consideration prior to any decision being made.

Contacts

The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) will also be sending a letter to potentially impacted Indigenous Governments and Indigenous Organizations to outline its approach to consultation. The Government of Canada will work closely with the GNWT throughout the EA and decision processes and will coordinate consultation processes where possible.

NPMO will be the consultation coordinator for the Government of Canada, including the CER, for this EA. If you have any questions for the Government of Canada or would like more information on how to participate in the process, please contact Shannon Allerston, NPMO Senior Project Manager at shannon.allerston@canor.gc.ca or (867) 445-7230.

Sincerely,

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Initiation of Consultation by the Government of Canada and the Government of the Northwest Territories on Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation Project Environmental Assessment (MVEIRB File No. EA2526-01)

Dear President Menacho,

The Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO), of the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency, on behalf of the Government of Canada, including the designated regulatory agency (Canada Energy Regulator (CER)), and the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) are writing to Tulit'a Land & Financial Corporation to:

- 1) Notify you of, and invite you to participate in, the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board's (MVEIRB or Review Board) Environmental Assessment (EA) process for Imperial Oil Resources N.W.T. Limited's (Imperial) Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation ([EA2526-01](#)) (the Project);
- 2) Initiate formal Crown consultation with you, on the future decisions(s) that will be made in response to the Review Board's Report of EA, as required under the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA); and
- 3) Advise you that the Crown is relying, to the extent possible, on the Review Board's process to assist in fulfilling the Crown's duty to consult, and if appropriate, accommodate.

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The Government of Canada and the GNWT have a duty to consult and if appropriate, accommodate, where there may be potential adverse impacts to asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights resulting from the Crown's EA decision. The Government of Canada and the GNWT consult jointly, where possible, and rely on the Review Board's process as the primary means to assist us in fulfilling our consultation and accommodation obligations in relation to the responsible ministers' decision on the Report of EA under Section 130 of the MVRMA. For further information on the Review Board's approach to consultation and engagement, please refer to their [Reference Bulletin on consultation and engagement in environmental impact assessment](#).

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We want to hear from you

Since we rely on the Review Board's process, your participation in this EA is important to help us understand how the Project could affect your asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights. Your participation will inform the planning of future steps in the Review Board's process, additional consultation that may be required, and allow potential concerns to be considered by the Review Board, responsible ministers, and the designated regulatory agency.



If you identify any potential adverse impacts to your asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights with respect to the Project, we ask that you provide the following information to the Review Board:

- a. The specific rights that may potentially be adversely impacted;
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The information provided during the Review Board's EA process and discussed during the decision phase will be given full and thorough consideration prior to any decision being made. The Government of Canada and the GNWT will share information received with one another, where possible.

End of the Review Board's Process

At the end of the Review Board's process, the Review Board will issue its Report of EA. At that time, we will send another consultation letter prior to making a decision on the EA. We ask that you respond to that letter in writing to tell us whether the Review Board's conclusions, including any recommended mitigation measures and Imperial's commitments, adequately address potential adverse impacts from the Project on your asserted and/or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights.

Before a final decision is made by the responsible ministers and the designated regulatory agency, as appropriate, we must be confident that potential adverse impacts to Aboriginal and/or Treaty rights have been (or will be) mitigated or accommodated, and that there were meaningful opportunities for consultation. Your response will help to inform our decision making.

Government of Canada and GNWT Contacts

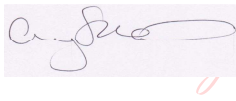
NPMO will be the consultation coordinator for the Government of Canada, including the CER, for this EA. If you have any immediate questions about this letter, or wish to discuss the contents further, please contact Shannon Allerston, NPMO Senior Project Manager at shannon.allerston@cannor.gc.ca or (867) 445-7230.

The Project Assessment Branch of the Department of Environment and Climate Change will be the consultation coordinator for the GNWT. If you have any questions for the GNWT, please contact Lorraine Seale, Director, Impact Assessment and Security Management, at lorraine_seale@gov.nt.ca or (867) 767-9180 ext. 24020.

We look forward to working with you throughout the Norman Wells Operations Closure and Reclamation EA.



Sincerely,



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