Mackenzie Valley Review Board

EA2021-01

December 17, 2025

Notice of Proceeding

Pine Point Mine Project, Pine Point Mining Limited

RE: Kátł'odeeche First Nation Request to submit confidential Traditional Knowledge

During the August 2025 meetings on the information requests (IRs) issued by the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) to parties, Kátł'odeeche First Nation (KFN) indicated that it had a report that would respond to the issues identified in those IRs. In follow-up, KFN confirmed it would like to submit that document under confidential cover.

According to the Review Board's Traditional Knowledge Guidelines (p.10),

> *The Review Board shall notify and seek the input of all parties regarding any confidentiality requests prior to making a decision on the request. If confidential status is granted, the Review Board will set out the conditions upon which it will accept and treat the information. If confidential status is denied, the traditional knowledge will not be disclosed and the submitting party may withdraw the information from the public record or decide itself to disclose the information. The Review Board will notify parties of its decision.*

Parties have until Friday, January 9, 2026 to comment on this request from KFN to submit its Traditional Knowledge report under confidential cover.[1] After that, the Review Board will decide whether to accept the confidential information.

If the Review Board does accept the confidential information, it will a) use a data sharing agreement that has been negotiated with KFN to accept and manage the confidential information and b) provide information to parties about how they can request to examine the confidential information if they require that for fairness purposes.

To submit comments, or if you have any questions or need more information, please contact Melissa Pink at (867) 766-7052 or mpink@reviewboard.ca or Catherine Fairbairn at (867) 766-7054 or cfairbairn@reviewboard.ca.

[1] The Review Board will follow its Rules of Procedure (Rules 50-59, 63-64) for this request.