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Dear Ms. Witherly

Re: Final Steps in Ekati Environmental Agreement Security Deposit

Thank you for your e-mail dated March 11, 2015 outlining the next steps in setting and adjusting the Security Deposit under the Ekati Environmental Agreement. We are pleased that this process appears to be coming to a conclusion. However, we are disappointed to hear that Government of the Northwest Territories does not intend to share its position on the Environmental Agreement Security Deposit with the Agency, contrary to the process outlined several times. GNWT previously stated it would provide its position in draft form to both the Agency and the company for a final opportunity to comment.

The Agency would indeed like to receive a copy of the decision and any reasons, on the Security Deposit to be held under the Ekati Environmental Agreement. A meeting to discuss and review the process would also be helpful.

Sincerely,

Bill Ross
Chairperson

cc. Aboriginal Society Members
Carla Conkin, Director, Liabilities and Financial Assurances, Lands
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