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Dear Mr. Eric Denholm:

Complete Application, Type "A" Land Use Permits – Mining and Road Development - EKATI

This Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board acknowledges receipt of your land use applications on April 2nd, 2008 and has deemed these applications complete. We will be processing your application as per Section 22 (1)(b) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations. Within forty-two (42) days of receipt of your application (April 2nd 2008), the Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board will take one of the following actions:

1. Issue a Type "A" permit, subject to any conditions included pursuant to Subsection 26(1);
2. Order, pursuant to Subsection 24(1) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*, that a hearing be held or further studies or investigations be made respecting the lands proposed to be used in the land-use operation;
3. Refer the application to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board for an environmental assessment pursuant to Subsection 125(1) of the *Act*; or
4. Where a requirement set out in Section 61 or 62 of the *Act* has not been met, refuse to issue a permit.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (867) 669-9589 or via email at rfequet@wlwb.ca

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ryan Fequet", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Ryan Fequet
Regulatory Specialist