FILE NO.: SCT-4001-13

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SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES

BETWEEN:	
GAMBLER FIRST NATION	Stephen M. Pillipow, for the Claimant
Claimant))
– and –	,))
HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF CANADA As represented by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development	Paul Anderson and Jean-Daniel Boulet, for the Respondent)
Respondent))
	HEARD: April 3, 2018

ENDORSEMENT

Honourable W.L. Whalen

A Case Management Conference (CMC) was held by teleconference on April 3, 2018, at 10:00 A.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa).

[1] The Respondent reported that it had produced the first of two expert reports by Serecon Inc. and is awaiting instructions to produce the second, which it expects to receive imminently. It has received Dr. McHugh's lengthy expert report which it is reviewing and expects to produce on or before **April 24, 2018**. The Respondent is hopeful that its expert reports will assist in

narrowing issues. The Claimant will require some time to review the reports after they are received and to determine whether expert replies are necessary.

[2] The Respondent reported that it has been instructed to admit that IR 63 had been set aside for the benefit of the Claimant, and it is in the process of drafting the requisite documentation

which it expects to deliver to the Claimant on or before April 13, 2018.

[3] The Parties continue to work cooperatively in the preparation of an Agreed Statement of

Issues, an Agreed Statement of Facts and a Common Book of Documents, which cannot be

completed until all expert reports have been completed and delivered.

[4] The Registry will coordinate the next CMC with the Parties, to be held at a mutually

convenient time in early June 2018. Progress on the completion and production of expert reports

and the appropriateness of a separate expert hearing will be considered at the next CMC. In the

interval it is expected that the file will be reassigned to another Tribunal Member because of

Whalen J.'s likely retirement before a validity hearing can be held.

W. L WHALEN

Honourable W.L. Whalen