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DATE: 20200327

**SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL
TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES**

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Claimant)	
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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT)	
OF CANADA)	Michelle Casavant, for the Respondent
As represented by the Minister of Crown-)	
Indigenous Relations)	
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Respondent)	
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)	HEARD: March 19, 2020

ENDORSEMENT

Honourable Paul Mayer

A Case Management Conference (CMC) was held by teleconference on March 19, 2020, at 4:30 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa).

[1] The Respondent has been working on a contract to hire an expert to prepare responding expert reports on loss of use and current unimproved market value of the lands. The contract has not yet been signed.

[2] The Respondent agreed to check with its client and report back to the Tribunal in writing as soon as possible regarding when the contract can be signed. The Respondent explained that the expert also needs to see the site and it is not clear at this time when the expert will be able to travel to the site in northern British Columbia given the COVID-19 situation and travel restrictions.

[3] The Respondent will ask its client to participate in a telephone conversation with counsel for both Parties to talk about how to proceed with preparation of the expert reports once the contract has been signed.

[4] The next CMC will be held by teleconference on **May 19, 2020**, at 4:30 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa). The Respondent's Application for a stay of proceedings will be heard at this time. Also, the Respondent shall give an update as to the status of the expert reports.

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Honourable Paul Mayer