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Dear Ms. Snider:

Thank you for your letter of May 7 regarding the proposed construction of an all season road from Inuvik to Tuktoyaktuk.

I support your desire to minimize any duplication of effort in the review process. As this proposed project is listed on the Comprehensive Study List Regulations of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*, the review must meet the requirements of the comprehensive study process.

The Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's Alberta/Northwest Territories Regional Office (the Agency) has begun coordination efforts to prepare for this comprehensive study. The contact for this project will be Tawanis Testart. She can be contacted by telephone at (780) 495-2460 or by email at tawanis.testart@ceaa-acee.gc.ca. The Agency looks forward to opportunities for coordination with the Environmental Impact Review Board as this process continues.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Jim Prentice, P.C., Q.C., M.P.

c.c.: The Honourable Chuck Strahl, P.C., M.P.



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