**FILE NO.:** SCT-6001-13

**DATE:** 20140806

## SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES

BETWEEN:	) )
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As represented by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development	<ul><li>Sherry Daniels and Janell K. Koch, for the</li><li>Respondent</li></ul>
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	' <b>HEARD:</b> July 25, 2014

## **ORDER**

## **Honourable Harry Slade, Chairperson**

Pursuant to Rule 10 of the *Specific Claims Tribunal Rules of Practice and Procedure*, SOR/2011-119, and upon the request of the Parties,

## THE TRIBUNAL ORDERS that:

[1] The hearing of the Claim shall proceed in two separate stages, in order to deal with issues

of validity and compensation, respectively;

[2] The Tribunal will first hold a hearing and render its decision on the validity of the Claim

("Validity Stage");

[3] The second stage of this Claim pertaining to compensation, including the principles of

compensation and any applicable compensation criteria ("Compensation Stage"), will only

proceed if the Claim is to be found valid. The Compensation Stage will not begin until the

Validity Stage has been completed, the issue(s) of validity and liability, if any, decided, and the

Parties have exhausted any rights they may have for judicial review to the Federal Court of

Appeal or appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada;

[4] If the Claim is ultimately determined to be valid, the Parties will have a reasonable

amount of time to gather evidence relating to compensation, including expert evidence, before

the Compensation Stage begins;

[5] The Parties may delay taking steps to prepare their cases on compensation until a

determination is made on validity; and,

[6] In relation to this Order of Bifurcation, there shall be no costs awarded to either party.

HARRY SLADE

Honourable Harry Slade, Chairperson

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