

**FILE NO.:** SCT-7002-15  
**DATE:** 20161130

**SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL  
TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES**

<b>BETWEEN:</b>	)	
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KITASOO XAI'XAIS NATION	)	
	)	Jennifer Griffith and Mary Anne Vallianatos,
	)	for the Claimant
Claimant	)	
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<b>– and –</b>	)	
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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT	)	
OF CANADA	)	
As represented by the Minister of Indian	)	Kelli Bodnar, Richelle Rae and Fred Wan,
Affairs and Northern Development	)	for the Respondent
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Respondent	)	
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**ORDER**

**Honourable Barry MacDougall**

Pursuant to Rule 10 of the *Specific Claims Tribunal Rules of Practice and Procedure*, SOR/2011-119, and by consent of the Parties, **THE TRIBUNAL ORDERS that:**

- a. The hearing of this Claim will proceed in separate stages;
- b. The issues of validity and compensation will be bifurcated. The Tribunal will first determine the validity of the Claim by holding a hearing and rendering its decision;

c. The second stage of this Claim pertaining to compensation, if necessary, will not begin until the issue of validity is 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;

d. If the Claim is ultimately determined to be valid, a Case Management Conference will be scheduled to discuss the issue of damages and compensation including whether expert evidence will be required and the length of time required to reasonably prepare the case;

e. Should one of the Parties seek judicial review of the Tribunal's decision on validity to the Federal Court of Appeal, that Party will provide notice to the Tribunal via e-filing of significant steps taken in the application for judicial review; and,

f. Should one of the Parties appeal the Federal Court of Appeal's decision to the Supreme Court of Canada, that Party will provide notice to the Tribunal via e-filing of significant steps in the appeal.

BARRY MACDOUGALL

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Honourable Barry MacDougall