

FILE NO.: SCT-7007-11
DATE: 20170313

**SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL
TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES**

BETWEEN:)
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DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION)
) Allisun Rana and Emily Grier, for the
) Claimant)
Claimant)
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- and -)
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BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS)
) James Tate, Michelle Bradley and Peter
) Millerd, for the Claimant)
Claimant)
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- and -)
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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT)
OF CANADA)
As represented by the Minister of Indian)
Affairs and Northern Development)
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Respondent)
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) **HEARD:** March 6, 2017

ENDORSEMENT

Honourable W.L. Whalen

A Case Management Conference (CMC) was held by teleconference on March 6, 2017, at 1:00 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa).

[1] The Parties reported that they are working cooperatively on an Oral History Protocol that they will complete and file on or before **March 31, 2017**. The Claimants indicated that they intend to present 7 lay witnesses to provide oral history or direct evidence. Two of these witnesses may require translation. The Parties are to advise the Registry of the name and coordinates of the proposed translator on or before **April 3, 2017**.

[2] The Respondent indicated that it may call a lay witness to provide direct evidence. The Respondent will advise the Claimants whether it will call the lay witness on or before **March 17, 2017**.

[3] The Respondent reported that it had retained Paul Precht (an energy economist) to prepare an expert report. The Respondent expects to deliver a copy of its expert's report by the scheduled deadline of **April 26, 2017**. Because this expert report is on an area not covered by the Claimants' expert and is therefore not a responding report, it may be possible that the Claimants may have to engage an expert to reply to Mr. Precht's report, which was not anticipated in the schedule appended to the CMC Endorsement dated September 7, 2016. The Respondent undertook to immediately provide to the Claimants its expert's professional curriculum vitae, and a statement of the work and opinion he was asked to provide, so that the Claimants may take steps to identify a responding expert if necessary.

[4] A hearing to receive the testimony of expert and lay witnesses will take place at the Doig River First Nation Community Complex commencing at 10:00 A.M., on June 26, 2017 and continuing through the week as necessary.

[5] Stage one of the compensation hearing (i.e. oral submissions) will take place at the Blueberry River First Nations Administrative Complex commencing at 10:00 A.M., on November 20, 2017 and continuing through the week as necessary.

[6] The next CMC will be held by teleconference on **May 10, 2017**, at 1:00 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa), to consider issues that may have arisen in respect of expert reports.

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