

SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL
TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES

Date: 20121002

Dockets: SCT-2004-11, SCT-2005-11, SCT-2006-11 and SCT-2007-11

OTTAWA, ONTARIO, October 02, 2012

PRESENT: The Honourable Justice Harry Slade

BETWEEN:

ATIKAMEKW D'OPITCIWAN FIRST NATION

Claimant

AND

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN THE RIGHT OF CANADA

Represented by the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

Respondent

ORDER ON APPLICATION FOR JOINT HEARING
(Par. 8(2)(a) of the *Specific Claims Tribunal Act*)

- [1] Upon the joint application seeking leave for the files SCT-2004-11, SCT-2005-11, SCT-2006-11 and SCT-2007-11 to be heard together;
- [2] Considering that these four files have several issues of law and fact in common;
- [3] Considering the objective of securing the just, timely and cost-effective resolution of the above specific claims in accordance with the general principles set out in sections 2 and 3 of the Specific Claims Tribunal's Rules of Procedure;
- [4] Considering the content of paragraph 8(2)(a) of the *Specific Claims Tribunal Act*;
- [5] Considering that the application is well-founded;

FOR THESE REASONS, THE TRIBUNAL issues the following orders:

- **ALLOW** the files SCT-2004-11, SCT-2005-11, SCT-2006-11 and SCT-2007-11 to be managed together without, however, consolidating the files;
- **ALLOW** the evidence to be administered within a single investigation and hearing, which will be filed in full in files SCT-2004-11, SCT-2005-11, SCT-2006-11 and SCT-2007-11;
- Once both parties' cases closed, **ALLOW** counsel for the Claimant and for the Respondent to present separate arguments in each of the cases raising, *inter alia*, relevant evidence regarding the specific claim in question in accordance with the instructions of the judge before whom the cases will be heard;

[6] Without costs given the circumstances.

HARRY SLADE

Harry Slade
Chair, Specific Claims Tribunal