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March 5, 2018

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**SUBJECT: Construction of forest roads “H, Section west” and “I”  
Monitoring of the Nottaway and Assinica woodland caribou herds  
(Condition 3)  
Our Ref.: 3214-05-075**

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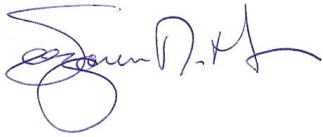
Dear Sir:

On February 20, 2018, the Review Committee (COMEX) received, for recommendation, the monitoring program for the Nottaway and Assinica woodland caribou herds (Condition 3) in respect of the above-mentioned project.

The COMEX members reviewed the document sent by the proponent. The proponent mentions that talks are continuing with the MFFP to reach an agreement on the proponent's contribution to the MFFP's caribou monitoring program, that is, a financial contribution to the deployment of radio collars on caribou and radio-tracking for a period of five years. COMEX is in favour of such a contribution and recommends that, insofar as possible, the collars be fitted on individuals that are most likely to range in the impact area of the project. In addition, COMEX would like to be informed of MFFP's caribou monitoring activities, the results and the causal links between caribou behaviour and construction of the forest roads.

Furthermore, COMEX is of the opinion that Cree stakeholders must be involved, to the extent they wish, in knowledge acquisition programs conducted in the territory of Eeyou Istchee James Bay. Therefore, COMEX wishes to be informed of the efforts made to promote Cree involvement in the MFFP's woodland caribou monitoring and of the monitoring results.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Suzann Méthot', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Suzann Méthot  
Chairperson  
Environmental and Social Impact  
Review Committee – COMEX

**\*In case of divergence, the French text shall prevail\***