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From: Schroeter, Tom EMPR:EX
Sent: Mon, March 12, 2007 3:00 PM
To: XT:EM Blann, David Ellis EM:IN
Subject: RE: Lower Nicola Indian Band fax

David - thanks for a copy of your proposed drill plan. As for the letter from the Lower Nicola Band, all I can say (from this vantage point) is that you should be working closely with our Kamloops office on this matter, and that you should be keeping records of all previous 'communications' with them. Good luck and keep me informed.

Tom

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Tom
Please find attached a map of 2007 proposed drillholes for Rateria property- southeast of Highmont, and a letter from the Lower Nicola Indian Band.

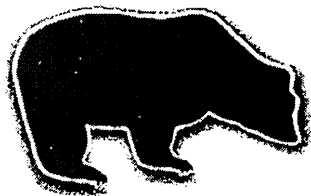
Is this how British Columbia is moving forward?
the letter is very clear we are not talking about "consultation" or "informing".

your comments appreciated. one apparent question is-Do we have to pay them money for a position they are making/creating? (ps-we did speak with and inform them last year- probably a different person there now).

dave
----- Original Message -----
From: Nina Mallory
To: 'David Blann'
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Please see attached.

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Attn: David Blann. P.Eng., President and Director

Re: Rateria Property, Highland Valley, British Columbia.

We the Lower Nicola Indian Band inform you this land altering project is designed to take place in our traditional territory. It will without a doubt negatively affect our interests, including but not limited to aboriginal rights and title.

Notwithstanding, we expect all levels of government to follow their fiduciary responsibility according to current case law and policy surrounding the grant of tenures of this nature. Thus, any action to push this project forward from this point without fair and meaningful participation by us, the Lower Nicola Indian Band, will be regarded as a deliberate infringement of our rights and will be dealt with accordingly.

We are disappointed to hear this will be your second year of operation in our territory without any prior notification to us of your presence. By our taking the initiative to make contact for our first discussion, we hope to hear positive words of cooperation. If not or if we do not hear from you in 30 days from the date of this letter we intend to use all means necessary to protect our interests.

Note, in the interest of time and high demand on our professional staff, we only intend to discuss this sensitive matter with those who have full authority in the outcome of this project. We expect to have a full explanation and outline of the stages involved in this project and who has the authority to make decisions at each stage. We also expect to see a list of all contract work to be tendered out, and job opportunities available in each stage. We also expect to establish a participation agreement to this process that will provide the resources to cover all time, costs and expenditures related to this project incurred by the Lower Nicola Indian Band.

In turn we can commit to at least one representative to coordinate participation with you at all times and look forward to setting our first meeting soon, and prior to any activities scheduled for this season.

We communicate this information in good faith and look forward to a cooperative relationship.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the Lower Nicola Indian Band – Aboriginal Title and Rights Coordinator: Robert Sterling Jr. (250) 378 - 5157.

Sincerely

Chief Arthur Dick
Lower Nicola Indian Band

For 



Robert Sterling Jr.

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