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Re: Tulsequah Chief Project – Environment Canada Review of Redfern Resources Ltd.'s Documentation with Respect to Caribou Issues

Further to our letter of August 24, I would like to provide you with a conclusion in CEEA wording for this letter to ensure greater clarity:

We are of the opinion that, as currently proposed, the access road to the Tulsequah Chief mine would likely have significant environmental effects on the East Atlin Caribou Herd. We concluded this, because the mitigation measures suggested by the proponent are not providing us with sufficient certainty that conservation goals would be achieved, and because some of the mitigation measures depend on cooperation by stakeholders whose support for these actions has not been secured. This is why we have asked that a management plan, that is supported by all stakeholders, be completed for the East Atlin Herd, prior to the issuance of federal authorizations for this project.

Yours truly,

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