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File No. 1051-041

Dear Review Panel:

Re: Review of the Lower Athabasca Regional Plan

We write to provide Mikisew's position on the Government of Alberta's (GOA) response to Information Request #9 (IR#9) in connection with the above noted review under section 19.2 of the *Alberta Land Stewardship Act*.

Mikisew's response to the GOA's arguments regarding the Panel's Jurisdiction to Issue IR#9

Mikisew disagrees with the GOA's hyperbolic submission that IR#9 is outside the Panel's jurisdiction and otherwise improper. As much of the GOA's submission regarding the appropriateness of IR#9 rehashes arguments the GOA made in its response to Mikisew's Application to Review LARP and earlier information requests issued to the GOA, Mikisew refers the Panel to its previous comments on the jurisdiction of this Panel.

Mikisew further submits that the GOA's argument that IR#9 is improper because it seeks information that relates to an earlier information request is nonsensical and, if accepted, would undermine the Panel's ability to fulfil its mandate.

Mikisew response to the information submitted by the GOA in response to IR#9

Mikisew notes that the GOA's response to IR#9 (which, for clarity, includes the documents hyperlinked in the GOA's response) does not identify any triggers, limits, management responses or monitoring initiatives/programs that pertain to the condition necessary for the exercise of Mikisew's treaty and aboriginal rights and traditional activities.

Mikisew notes that the GOA provided no information to support its assertion that it will continue to refine triggers and limits under the frameworks and certainly has provided no information to suggest that the GOA will consider Mikisew's treaty and aboriginal rights and traditional activities if it were to refine triggers and limits under the frameworks. Accordingly, Mikisew submits that the Panel should disregard the GOA's assertions about future changes to the frameworks or give them little or no weight in this review.

Respectfully submitted,

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