

**FILE NO.:** SCT-5003-13  
**DATE:** 20161230

**SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL  
TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES**

<b>BETWEEN:</b>	)	
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SAULTEAUX FIRST NATION	)	
	)	Sheryl A. Manychief and Ryan Lake, for the
	)	Claimant
Claimant	)	
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<b>– and –</b>	)	
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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT	)	
OF CANADA	)	
As represented by the Minister of Indian	)	David C. Culleton and Donna L. Harris, for
Affairs and Northern Development	)	the Respondent
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Respondent	)	
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	)	<b>HEARD:</b> December 7, 2016

**ENDORSEMENT**

**Honourable W.L. Whalen**

A Case Management Conference (CMC) was held by teleconference on December 7, 2016, at 12:00 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa).

[1] The Respondent reported that its expert’s report had been delayed, but it expected completion and delivery of the report by mid-December 2016. The Respondent anticipates that following its review of the report, a copy of the expert report will be produced to the Claimant prior to the next CMC.

[2] The Respondent has undertaken to prepare the first draft of an Agreed Statement of Issues and to produce that draft to the Claimant prior to the next CMC.

[3] The Parties confirmed that they were working cooperatively on the preparation of a Common Book of Documents and an Agreed Statement of Facts. Both however cannot be finalized until the expert reports are complete and any resulting additional documents have been produced. The Parties were encouraged to work on these documents, which can be finalized once expert reports are all received. Progress will be reviewed at the next CMC.

[4] The question of bifurcation has not been decided. The Respondent favours bifurcation but the Claimant is not prepared to decide at this time. A decision should be made soon as the setting of a hearing date is on the horizon. The Respondent should determine whether it wishes to bring an Application to resolve the matter if agreement on bifurcation cannot be reached soon. This question will be reviewed at the next CMC.

[5] The next CMC will be held by teleconference on **January 31, 2017**, at 3:00 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa).

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