

FILE NO.: SCT-7007-11
DATE: 20170116

**SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL
TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES**

BETWEEN:)
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DOIG RIVER FIRST NATION)
) Allisun Rana and Emily Grier, for the
) Claimant)
Claimant)
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- and -)
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BLUEBERRY RIVER FIRST NATIONS)
) James Tate, Michelle Bradley and Peter
) Millerd, for the Claimant)
Claimant)
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- and -)
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HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT)
OF CANADA)
As represented by the Minister of Indian)
Affairs and Northern Development)
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Respondent)
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) **HEARD:** December 12, 2016

ENDORSEMENT

Honourable W.L. Whalen

A Case Management Conference (CMC) was held by teleconference on December 12, 2016, at 12:30 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa).

[1] The Parties confirmed that they were on schedule with the timelines established in the appendix to the Endorsement dated September 7, 2016:

a. The Respondent continues to compile and produce documents, which it is anticipated will be complete by December 30, 2016;

b. The Claimants have jointly retained Dr. Robin Ridington as an expert, and his report is expected to be completed by February 24, 2017. The Respondent is familiar with this expert and his area of expertise;

c. The Respondent is in the process of retaining a responding expert whose report is anticipated to be produced by April 26, 2017. The Respondent will identify the expert and provide a copy of his curriculum vitae to the Claimants once the retainer is complete (likely in January 2017);

d. The Claimants indicated that they will likely present oral history evidence although the potential witnesses have not been fully identified. The Parties should begin preparation of an agreed Oral History Protocol and consider the need for translators. The identification of oral history witnesses and preparation of Will-Say statements for each witness will have to be fitted into the existing timeline.

[2] A hearing of experts and oral history witnesses is scheduled to be held at the Doig River First Nation Reserve commencing at 10:00 A.M., on June 26, 2017 and continuing until June 30, 2017.

[3] The next CMC will be held by teleconference on **March 6, 2017**, at 1:00 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa) to review progress.

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