

FILE NO.: SCT-5002-14

DATE: 20170718

**SPECIFIC CLAIMS TRIBUNAL
TRIBUNAL DES REVENDICATIONS PARTICULIÈRES**

BETWEEN:)	
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KINISTIN SAULTEAUX NATION)	
)	Bruce J. Slusar, for the Claimant
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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)	David Smith and David Culleton, for the
Affairs and Northern Development)	Respondent
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Respondent)	
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)	HEARD: July 4, 2017

ENDORSEMENT

Honourable W. L. Whalen

A Case Management Conference (CMC) was held by teleconference on July 4, 2017, at 1:00 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa).

[1] The oral history hearing transcript has been completed and delivered. The Claimant's expert report can now be completed, which is anticipated on or before **August 31, 2017**.

[2] The Respondent has continued to have difficulty in retaining an expert to prepare a responding report. For the fourth time, it is now in the process of retaining an expert, which

process is anticipated to be completed on or before **August 11, 2017**. This expert will be able to start a report having received and reviewed the Claimant's expert report. Progress will be considered at the next CMC.

[3] The Parties are prepared to work cooperatively in the preparation of a Common Book of Documents, an Agreed Statement of Facts and an Agreed Statement of Issues, although they have not started that process. The Parties are urged to commence work on these documents in facilitation of moving this Claim forward to a Validity Hearing as soon as possible.

[4] The Parties are urged to consider whether they will wish to examine and cross-examine the experts. If so, will the expert evidence hearing be separate from or part of the Validity Hearing? If the Parties anticipate there being a separate expert evidence hearing, where will this hearing take place and how much time will be required? This will be considered at the next CMC.

[5] The Parties confirmed that they are prepared to consider mediation and the need for bifurcation once expert reports have been completed and exchanged. This will be considered at the next CMC.

[6] The next CMC will be held by teleconference on **September 26, 2017**, at 12:00 P.M., Eastern Time (Ottawa).

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