

AIKINS, MACAULAY & THORVALDSON

Barristers and Solicitors
30th Floor - 360 Main Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3C 4G1
Telephone: (204)957-0050
Facsimile: (204)957-0840

October 31, 1997

Time:

PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING PAGES TO:

NAME: Mr. Randy Webber
FIRM: Manitoba Environment
FAX NO.: 948-2420
LOCATION: Winnipeg
FILE NO.: 973140

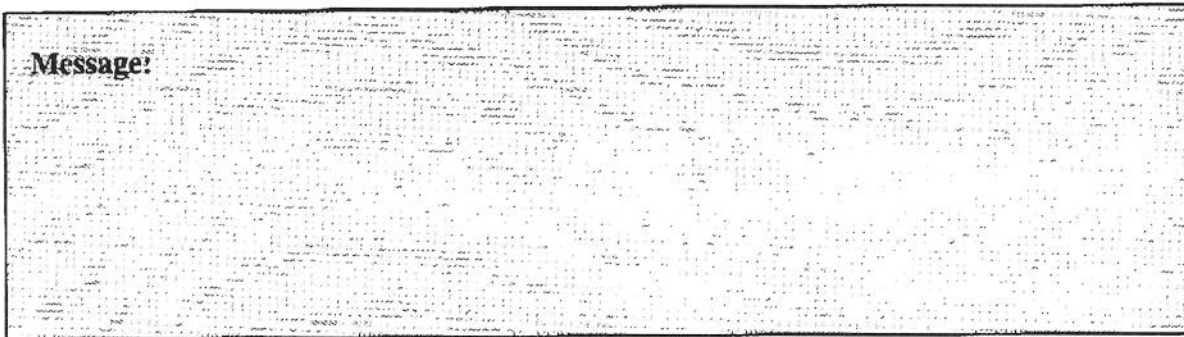
From: C.L. Chappell

Direct Line: 957-4638

We are transmitting 2 pages (including this page) from a Xerox 7033. If you do not receive all the pages, please call back as soon as possible.

Operator: Cathy

Direct Line: 957-4738



NOTICE OF PRIVILEGE AND CONFIDENTIALITY

THIS TRANSMISSION IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THE ADDRESSEE. It may contain privileged or confidential information. Any unauthorized distribution, copying, disclosure or dissemination of this transmission or the taking of any action in reliance on the contents of this transmission is strictly prohibited. If you receive this transmission in error, please notify us immediately by telephoning us collect and return the original to us at the above address by regular mail without making a copy. We will reimburse you for postage. Thank you.

AIKINS, MACAULAY & THORVALDSON**BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS**

30TH FLOOR

COMMODITY EXCHANGE TOWER

360 MAIN STREET

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

CANADA R3C 4G1

TELEPHONE: (204) 957-0050

FACSIMILE: (204) 957-0840

E-MAIL: amt@aikins.com

ALFONSO CAMPBELL, O.C., C.D., Q.C., LL.B.
 MARTIN D. FREEDMAN, Q.C.
 J. TIMOTHY SAMSON, Q.C.
 CHARLES L. CHAPPELL
 ROBERT A. WEINSTEIN, Q.C.
 DARYL J. ROBIN
 HERBERT J. THOMAS
 DEE L. A. JOHNSON
 KRISTINE GIBSON
 WILLIAM A. TIMSIE
 ANITA WORTZMAN
 CATHARINE M. COLETT
 NIGEL J. THOMPSON
 R. ROSEFAGHAN
 CORY L. POLLOCK
 RACHILLER MARGOLIS

JOHN S. LAMONT, Q.C.
 ANDREW C. TROTT
 WINSTON R. SMITH, Q.C.
 CHINER MACARTHUR, Q.C.
 J. BRUCE PARKER
 JAMES A. TROTT
 C. TODD CAMPBELL
 PAVLYNN KATZ
 J. DOUGLAS NICOLSON
 RUTH HUBBS
 D. SAUNDERS THOMPSON
 GREGORY F. BUCK
 HARVEY C. HOLTS
 DAVID M. WRIGHT
 NICHOLAS WATSON
 SONYA C. MCGOUGH

ROGER E. HANSELL, Q.C.
 JAMES E. FORAN, Q.C.
 CYRIL A. LARMAN
 THOMAS P. DOOLEY
 JUSTIN H. BLAIR
 CLAUDE TAYLOR
 J. M. THOMAS
 J. WILLIAM HOWES
 JAMES E. HARRIS
 J. GARY JOHNSON
 MICHAEL J. THOMPSON
 HELGA D. VAN DERSTINE
 GRAHAM L. ROUSON
 ROBERT C. LEE
 MICHAEL A. CONNOR
 CYRIL WAREHUK

MICHAEL J. MERCURY, Q.C.
 ENOCH D. TOSTER, Q.C.
 LARRY R. FRANK, Q.C.
 ROBERT STEPHENSON, Q.C.
 FLEANOR DAWSON, Q.C.
 RICHARD J. YATTE
 LORIE SHVAK
 BARBARA R. HOCHMAN
 ROBIN E. HADIN
 LOUIE HANDEL
 CARMELO N. PETER
 BARBARA S. MACDONALD
 TYLER J. KOTANSKI
 JENNIFER BURNS
 DEBBY T. JOHNSON

A.J. MERCURY, Q.C.
 RAYMOND HILL, Q.C.
 BRYAN D. KIRBY
 GERALD D. PARKINSON
 DAVID L. VOLCHING
 FRANK TAYLOR
 DAVID M. CARRICK
 JONATHAN D. KROFF
 CATHARINE CARLSON
 BRIAN D. THORNE
 ROBERT J. TYLER
 PHILIP T. SAMYK
 DAVID P. NICHOL
 GREGORY M. TILLOTSON
 STEVEN L. JOHNSON

CHAPPELL, ALFONSO, CAMPBELL, O.C., C.D., Q.C., LL.B.

SIR JAMES AIKINS, K.B., K.C., LL.D. (1879-1929)
C.L. AIKINS, B.Sc., Q.C., LL.B. (1910-1954)JOHN A. MACAULAY, C.C., Q.C., LL.D. (1919-1975)
FRANK E. THORVALDSON, Q.C. (1925-1981)

Please Refer to Charles L. Chappell

Direct Line: 957-4638

Direct E-Mail: clc@aikins.com

File Number: 973140

October 31, 1997

Manitoba Environment
 Winnipeg Region
 Environmental Operations Division
 123 Main Street, Suite 160
 Winnipeg, Manitoba
 R3C 1A5

Attention: Mr. Randy Webber

Dear Sirs:

Re: Northwest Smelting & Refining Ltd.

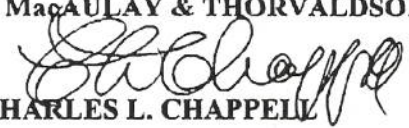
Further to our telephone conversations of October 30 and 31, I wish to confirm that I have now met with Mr. Tom Frohlinger, the solicitor for Chisick to discuss the right of entry upon Chisick's lands for the purpose of conducting further soil testing. Mr. Frohlinger expressed to me a number of concerns which he had which involve in whole or in part your Department.

Mr. Frohlinger advised that prior to granting any consent for the right of entry on the Chisick lands he wishes to resolve his concerns directly with the Department. In light of this situation it was agreed that Mr. Frohlinger would be in contact with you with a view to establishing dates for a meeting to discuss the concerns. As I advised you by telephone I do not propose that there be any further involvement by myself or our office at this time pending notice from the Department or Mr. Frohlinger.

As I indicated to you our clients are amenable to assist the Department in any way possible with respect to this issue. I await your further instructions.

Yours truly,

AIKINS, MACAULAY & THORVALDSON
 Per:


 CHARLES L. CHAPPELL

CLC/cv

AIKINS, MACAULAY & THORVALDSON

Barristers and Solicitors
30th Floor - 360 Main Street
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3C 4G1

Telephone: (204)957-0050

Facsimile: (204)957-0840

October 28, 1997

Time:

PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING PAGES TO:

NAME: Mr. Randy Webber
FIRM: Manitoba Environment
FAX NO.: 948-2420
LOCATION: Winnipeg
FILE NO.: 973140

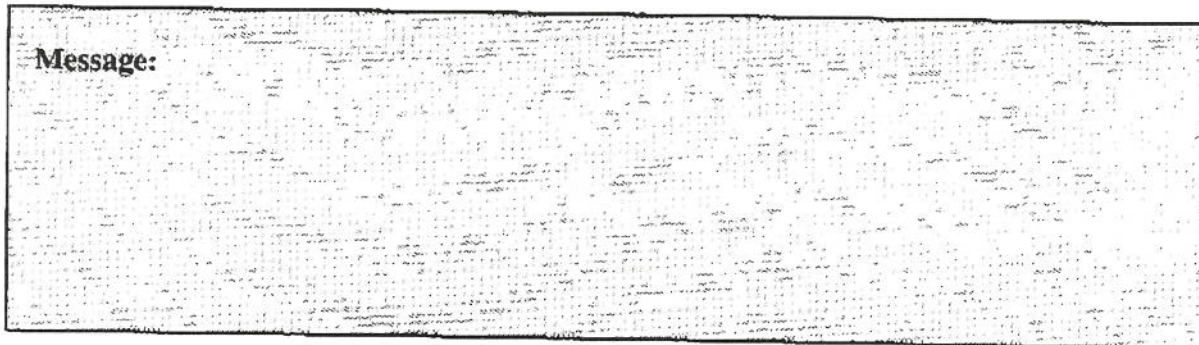
From: C.L. Chappell

Direct Line: 957-4638

We are transmitting 2 pages (including this page) from a Xerox 7033. If you do not receive all the pages, please call back as soon as possible.

Operator: Cathy

Direct Line: 957-4738



NOTICE OF PRIVILEGE AND CONFIDENTIALITY

THIS TRANSMISSION IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THE ADDRESSEE. It may contain privileged or confidential information. Any unauthorized distribution, copying, disclosure or dissemination of this transmission or the taking of any action in reliance on the contents of this transmission is strictly prohibited. If you receive this transmission in error, please notify us immediately by telephoning us collect and return the original to us at the above address by regular mail without making a copy. We will reimburse you for postage. Thank you.

AIKINS, MACAULAY & THORVALDSON

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS

3011 FLOOR
COMMODITY EXCHANGE TOWER
360 MAIN STREET
WINNIPEG, MANITOBA
CANADA R3C 4G1
TELEPHONE: (204) 957-0050
FACSIMILE: (204) 957-0840
E-MAIL: amt@aikins.com

ALFRED CAMPBELL, O.C., LL.D.	JOHN S. LAMONT, O.C.	ROBERT J. HANNETT, O.C.	MICHAEL J. MURPHY, O.C.	A.L. MERCURY, O.C.
MARTIN H. FREEDMAN, O.C.	ANDREW C. TOLCH	JAMES E. FORAN, O.C.	KNOX B. FOSTER, O.C.	RAYMOND FLETT, O.C.
C. TIMOTHY SAMSON, O.C.	WISLINT SMITH, O.C.	CYRIL G. LABMAN	LARRY R. CRANE, O.C.	BRYAN D. KILIN
CHARLES L. CHAPPELL	COLIN R. MACARTHUR, O.C.	THOMAS P. DOOLEY	BOB L. STEPHENSON, O.C.	GERALD D. PARKINSON
JOEL A. WEINSTEIN, O.C.	R. DOUGLAS PARKER	JUDITH M. BLAIR	ELEANOR R. DAWSON, O.C.	DAVID L. VOUGHTING
DARYL J. ROBIN	JAMES A. FERGUSON	G. BRUCE FAYLOR	RICHARD L. YAFFE	FRANK LAVETT
HERBERT J. PETERSON	G. DOUG CAMPBELL	A. MILTON CHRISTIANSEN	LORI J. STYAK	DAVID M. CARRICK
KRISTIN L. GIBSON	LAYLYNN KATZ	L. WILLIAM DEWLES	BARBARA R. HOCHMAN	JONATHAN D. EKHOT
WILLIAM K. A. FMSH	J. DOUGLAS STEPHENSON	JACK E. HARMS	JOHN R. BRAUN	CATHERINE P. PARSON
ANITA R. WIKIZMAN	KENNETH BROWN	JOHN JOHNSON	THOMAS J. HANNETT	BRIAN D. TURNER
CATHERINE M. TOLCH	D. SAUL GUTTERMANSON	MICHAEL R. GUTTERMANSON	CARMELYN PETER	ROBERT TYLER
NICOLE J. THOMPSON	THOMAS E. DOCK	ROBERT VAN DERSTRAAT	BARBARA S. Mc DONALD	PHILIP SAMYN
R. REIS PACTAKIAN	HARLEY C. BODAS	GRAHAM R. JOHNSON	TYLER J. KOTHANSKI	DAVID P. NEGUS
CORY L. FOLLOCK	DAVID M. WRIGHT	ROBERT C. TEE	JENNIFER J. HIRNS	GREGORY M. FLEETWOOD
RACHEL E. MACLEOD	NICOLE M. WATSON	MICHAEL A. CONNER	BARRY J. DODGSON	STEVEN M. LONDON
SINYA C. MCCOSHEN		COLIN F. WARDLICK		

COUNSELLOR: ARTHUR V. MAURO, O.C., LL.D. (1979-1990)
SIR JAMES AIKINS, B. E. C., LL.D. (1879-1990)
JOHN A. MACAULAY, O.C., LL.D. (1910-1978)
H.H. AIKINS, D.S.O., O.C., LL.D. (1910-1954)
DON G.S. THORVALDSON, O.C. (1925-1989)

Please Refer to: Charles L. Chappell

Direct Line 957-4638

Direct E-Mail: clc@aikins.com

File Number: 973140

October 28, 1997

Manitoba Environment
Winnipeg Region
Environmental Operations Division
123 Main Street, Suite 160
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3C 1A5

Attention: Mr. Randy Webber

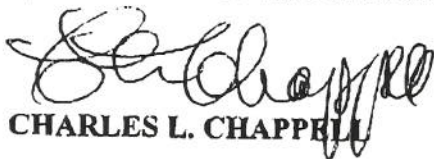
Dear Sirs:

Re Northwest Smelting & Refining Ltd.

I acknowledge receipt of your Fax dated October 27, 1997. I note that Mr. Frohlinger, the solicitor for Chisick is to be contacted with respect to the consent. Who is to make this contact our office or yourself? Please advise.

Yours truly,
AIKINS, MacAULAY & THORVALDSON

Per:


CHARLES L. CHAPPELL

CLC/cv

Oct 31/97 - Chappell & Frohlinger met Oct 30/97. Chappell called me Oct 31/97. Mr. Frohlinger has reservations - he will contact me to set up meeting. I will contact Mr. Chappell after that meeting to update him.

