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Caron Diamond Drilling  
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Attn: Tony Caron  
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Dear Sirs:

Re: Access to Creeks for Water

In discussion with Mr. John Zbeetnoff, I have been informed that recent dozer work around Vangorda Creek for water truck access has caused soil and brush to be deposited in the creek and that the streambed has been disrupted. Activities such as these have the potential of creating high suspended sediment loads during spring freshet which will result in the disruption of fish utilization in the lower reaches of Vangorda Creek.

I would remind you that Section 31 (1) of the Federal Fisheries Act states:

"No person shall carry on any work or undertaking that results in the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat"

Activities as described above in the case of a fish bearing stream could expose both Caron Diamond Drilling and Curragh Resources Inc. for prosecution under the Act. Fortunately the stream is not fish bearing at that point.

Of even greater importance is the protection of Blind Creek. Whereas Vangorda Creek offers seasonal fish habitat near the mouth, Blind Creek is a chinook spawning stream which supports a year round resident population and appears to be a significant component of the

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upper Pelly River salmon fishery or at least is perceived to be that significant by both DFO and the local native band. My suggestion would be to stay as far away from Blind Creek as possible and ensure all waste discharges in that direction are carefully controlled.

Should it become imperative at some point to draw water from Blind Creek, please contact myself for site specific advise as to the location of access road and the methods for water removal. I will endeavour to get out to the site and assist you with the field planning and implementation. Please remember that the Fisheries Inspectors will be watching this area very closely.

Yours truly,

**CURRAGH RESOURCES INC.**



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