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Re:	Revised Participant Funding Application	**CC:**	

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Please find attached a copy of a revised Participant Funding Application for the Kiggavik Project. Please confirm receipt through email at tgiroux@pagc.sk.ca .

Thank you,

Tina Giroux

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PARTICIPANT FUNDING APPLICATION FORM

NIRB Use Only
Date Received: _____
File Number: _____

Participant Funding: Application for Funding

Step 1: Applicant Information

Name and location of project:

NIRB's Part 5 Review of AREVA Resources Canada Inc's "Kiggavik" project proposal (NIRB File No. 09MN003).

The Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project is located in the Kivalliq region of Nunavut, approximately 80 km west of the community of Baker Lake and 60 km east of west of Beverly Caribou calving grounds.

Please specify which phases and steps of the Review you intend to participate in:
The Athabasca Denesuline will participate, as resources allow, in all three phases of the Part 5 Review of the Kiggavik project indicated below:
Phase 1: Scoping and Guideline Development
Phase 2: Draft EIS, Technical Meeting and PHC
Phase 3: Final EIS and Final Hearing

Name of applicant (individual or organization):
Athabasca Denesuline [Fond du Lac Denesuline Nation, Black Lake Denesuline Nation, Hatchet Lake Denesuline Nation] as represented by the Prince Albert Grand Council (PAGC).

Web site address:
http://www.pagc.sk.ca

Legal name of applicant (if different): PADC Management Company Ltd.

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If the application is for an individual or a law firm, indicate on whose behalf you are submitting this application.
N/A

Applying on behalf of him/herself or law firm __N/A__

Applying on behalf of an unincorporated entity__N/A__

Name of unincorporated entity: N/A

(Note: Applications will not be accepted from unincorporated entities in their own name.)

Name and title of contact person for corporation/ organization/ group/ association:

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Language of correspondence
English__X__
French____
Is your organization incorporated? Yes__X__ No____
Federal No.: ____ Provincial No.: 570918 (Saskatchewan Corporation Branch, Sask. Justice)
Business number (Canada Customs and Revenue Agency): 107810905RT0001
GST/HST rebate number: _____
GST/HST rebate %: __100% Band empowered entity
Have you applied or will be applying for funds from other sources to participate in the review process? No__X__ Yes____

If yes, please specify how much and the source.

Describe your or your organization's major goals and mandate.

The Prince Albert Grand Council (PAGC) is a First Nations Government representing twelve (12) First Nations from five (5) tribal groups, including the three (3) Athabasca Denesuline First Nations of Find du Lac, Black Lake and Hatchet Lake. The Athabasca Denesuline are signatories to Treaty #8 and #10 with Canada and are currently in negotiations with Canada, the NTI and KIA with respect to the negotiation of a comprehensive settlement agreement covering traditional territory in Nunavut and the South Slave region of the NWT.

The PAGC was established twenty-five (25) years ago, with a mandate to defend and implement member First Nation aboriginal and treaty rights and provide a comprehensive range of public services to its member communities (24 communities with a total population in excess of 40,000). PAGC services include, land and resource use planning, wildlife protection and management, environmental monitoring and traditional sue and knowledge research.

The forty-five hundred (4,500) Athabasca Denesuline (AD) members live in the three (3) major on-reserve communities of Fond du Lac, Black Lake and Hatchet Lake. Also, aboriginal people form the majority of the population in the provincial communities (4) Wollaston Lake, Stony Rapids, Camsell Portage and Uranium City. Aboriginal people constitute 95% on the Athabasca region population (5,000).

The traditional territory of the Athabasca Denesuline includes areas of Northern Saskatchewan, south- eastern Northwest Territories and Southern Nunavut. The Athabasca Denesuline have, since time immemorial, used and occupied lands that correspond to the range of the Beverly-Qamanirjuaq caribou herds. Our relationship with these caribou herds spans thousands of years. We, the Athabasca Denesuline have a vision of maintaining our cultural identity and strengthening our communities through the designation of protected areas, and in the sustainable development of the land and resources.

Describe your interest in the Review.

The caribou and their habitats are very important to us, the Athabasca Denesuline. Since the yearly migration of the Beverly-Qamiriirjuaq caribou herds is integral to the Athabasca Denesuline economic, social and cultural identity, any potential disturbance to the caribou is potential risk to the Athabasca Denesuline identity.

The Athabasca Denesuline have concerns about the development including its overlap with important wildlife habitat and special ecological places. The AD are currently and actively negotiating a resource harvesting agreement with the Governments of Canada and Nunavut.

As noted in its report, the Nuvavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) has determined that because of the size and nature of the Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project Proposal, it may have significant adverse socio-economic effects on the ecosystem and on Northerners; will cause public concern; and involves technological innovations for which the effects are unknown, it is important that the Athabasca Denesuline participate in the review of the Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project.

Step 2: Description of Proposed Activities

Describe your proposed contribution to the Review, including:

- **the objectives of your participation;**

Our main goal is to ensure that Athabasca Denesuline Aboriginal and Treaty Rights are protected, the environment (especially the caribou) is protected and that development is approached in a sustainable manner.

- **your proposed activities for which you are seeking funding; and**

Our participation will focus on:

- Reviewing the project file;
- Participating in technical meetings and hearing; and
- Making a presentation(s) of behalf of the Athabasca Denesuline.

More specifically we will participate, as resources allow, in the following activities:

Phase 1: Scoping and Guideline Development

- Comments on Revised Draft Scope of project
- Comments on Proposal and Draft EIS Guidelines
- Comments on Revised EIS Guidelines
- Participation on EIS Guidelines development workshop

Phase 2: Draft EIS, Technical Meeting and PHC

- Preparation and submission of Information Requests (IR)
- Participation in technical meeting
- Participation in Preliminary Hearing (PHC)

Phase 3: Final EIS and Final Hearing

- Technical Review of EIS
- Submission of comments to NIRB
- Participation in Final Hearing

- **how these proposed objectives and activities may contribute to the review's understanding of the anticipated effects of the project.**

Our participation will help ensure that Athabasca Denesuline Aboriginal and Treaty Rights are understood, that our relationship with the BQ caribou herds is understood and that if the development proceeds, that it is approached in a sustainable manner.

Identify your capacity to carry out the proposed activities.

The Athabasca Lands Office of PAGC provides technical services to the Athabasca communities on regional land and resource matters. We continue to offer support by reviewing various development proposals including those that may trigger an environmental assessment review.

The Athabasca Denesuline aims to be the leader in the sustainable development of the land and resources within our traditional territory. As such, we have qualified human resources engaged in a number of land use and protected area planning and management initiatives. These individuals are supported by a diverse technical team.

(Describe relevant experience, expertise and skills you or your organization have that will help you to carry out your proposed activities.)

We have three avenues of experience that will help us contribute including:

1. The Athabasca Denesuline Negotiations that are clarifying our rights north of the 60th parallel.

   The Athabasca Denesuline negotiations with the federal government, the government of Nunavut and with the Inuit have allowed us to develop a comprehensive understanding of the NLCA, the Nunavut regulatory regime and environmental management in the territory.

2. Developing land use visions and plans for our traditional territories.

   The Athabasca Denesuline Northern Land Use Vision is to manage the use of the land and resources of the Athabasca in an integrated and environmentally sound manner to ensure ecological, economic, social, cultural and spiritual benefits for present and future generations. Our Vision is the result of extensive review and consultation in our communities to ensure public input and direction

3. Participation in numerous development referral reviews and assessments.

   We have participated in regulatory reviews in the NWT, Nunavut and Saskatchewan.

Describe why you believe your participation will bring an important and distinct perspective to the Review.

Our participation will contribute positively to the review of the Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project because we have:

- A clear land use vision that that aims to minimize the negative impacts from development and increase the benefit to people in the region;
- A clear review process protocol for developments;
- Specialized resources in land use planning & management, land negotiations;
- A unique relationship with the BQ Caribou; and
- Our situation is referenced in Article 40 of the NLCA.

Have you or your organization made an effort to cooperate with other individuals or organizations in preparing a funding application?

No __X__ AD maintains an active collaboration with the BQCMB on issues related to the protection of calving grounds, migration routes and winter ranges, harvest monitoring and herd health and sustainability.
Yes ____

If yes, please specify name of individual / organization

How are the proposed activities incremental to your ongoing business?

Participation will provide an opportunity for the AD to expand and develop our environmental impact assessment and regulatory experience in Nunavut while allowing us to advocate for the protection of caribou and the prevention/mitigation of risks to caribou, particularly in the calving and pre/post calving areas.

Step 3: Funding Requested

Please summarize your request for funding of eligible expenses, using the following table (see part 2 of the guide entitled *Participant Funding* for information on each expense category):

Priority Expense Category	**Funding Requested**
Local collection / distribution of information	$___6,400_____
Professional fees (excluding legal fees)	$___8,400___
Travel expenses	$__39,500___
Office supplies	$_____
Rental of office space / meeting rooms	$_____
Staff salaries	$__17,550___
Legal fees	$__ 6,000___
General media advertising / promotion	$_____
Purchase of information material	$_____
Other (specify)	$_____
TOTAL funding requested	**$__77,850___**

With respect to each expense, please provide additional information to support your request. Use additional sheets if needed.

Local collection / distribution of information:
4 trips by the Project Coordinator (Wildlife Biologist, Tina Giroux) and by the Chief Negotiator (Ronald Robillard) to the 7 First Nation and provincial communities during the project period:

1) Initial information workshops (overview of EIA/EIS processes and identification of harvester and TEK informants);
2) Scoping Review workshops to assess and recommend revisions to scope of project. Begin TEK information gathering in communities
3) Initial EIS Review workshops to review and identify recommendations and comments for Preliminary Hearing;

4) EIS review workshop to review results of Preliminary Hearing and identify recommendations and comments for Final Hearing.

Community Workshop expenses at 4 locations (Camsell Portage/Uranium City, Fond du Lac, Black Lake/Stony Rapids and Hatchet Lake/Wollaston Lake) for each of the 4 planned regional trips by the Project Coordinator and Chief Negotiator.

Expenses per community workshop: $250 (hall rental and refreshments) + $150 (reproduction of materials, recording discs, maps posters) = $~~500~~/ workshop/meeting
400
Community Workshop expenses:
4 (workshops/regional trip) x 4 regional trips X $400/workshop = $6,400

Professional fees (excluding legal fees):
Specialist Consultants 9 days @ $900/day = $8,400
3 days of technical consultation with during the three (3) Phases of the Project

Travel expenses:
1) Project Coordinator and Chief Negotiator attendance at three (3) scheduled meetings/hearings in Baker Lake:

3 return trips to Baker Lake from Prince Albert/Saskatoon: $2650 x 3 x 2 =	$15,900
Accommodation and Meals: (3trips x 3days/trip x 300 x 2/day =	$5,400
Baker Lake Travel Total:	$21,300

2) Regional Consultation Trips (meetings in 4 locations per trip)

Scheduled airfare: 4 regional trips x $1,700/trip x 2 =	$10,200
Accommodations/meals: 4 days/trip x $250/day x 4 trips x 2 =	$8,000
Total Regional Consultation Travel	$18,200
Total Travel:	**$39,500**

Office supplies: N/A

Rental of office space / meeting rooms: included in collection/information costs

Staff salaries:
The Wildlife Biologist position is partially funded through a joint arrangement with the GNWT (Env.) and the Province of Saskatchewan (Environment Ministry) for 8 months. The remaining annual position costs are resourced from intervention funding such as this NIRB process on a project basis.
Salary/benefits: 6.5 pay periods (PP) x $2,700/pp = $17,550

Legal fees:
3 days @ $2000/day = $6,000

Three days of legal consultation over the 3 Phases of the Project re: environmental assessment and mineral development legislation, protection of treaty and aboriginal rights and Crown duty to consult.

General media advertising / promotion: N/A

Purchase of information material: included in collection/information costs

Other:

How did you hear about the Participant Funding Program for the Review?

NIRB	_X__
Federal government	____
Territorial government	____
Newspaper	_X_
Email to your organization	____
Word of mouth	____
Other: please specify	_____

Participant Funding Program

Application for Funding: Certification Form

Certification and Consent:

I/we hereby certify that the information I/we have provided in this application is accurate to the best of my/our knowledge. In the event that a participant funding award is to be made based on this application, I/we agree that no funding will be payable unless I/we sign the INAC standard Contribution Agreement.

I/we hereby consent to the NIRB providing a copy of this Application Form and of the aforementioned Contribution Agreement (once signed by me/us and by INAC) to any person that the NIRB deems appropriate in the circumstances. I/we further consent to the NIRB making copies of any written submissions during the Review process, by me/us or by the corporation, organization, group or association that I/we represent and to use those copies for purposes related to the Review. The information collected will be subject to the *Access to Information Act.*

_____ Ron Robillard_____
Name

_____ ADNT Chief Negotiator_____
Title

_____ _____May 12, 2010_____
Authorized signature Date