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From: Crozier, Bev ENV:EX
Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 10:49 AM
To: Cao, Shihang ENV:EX
Cc: Crozier, Bev ENV:EX
Subject: CLIFF & ASSIGN: Potential Interest in the Tulsequah Chief Project
Attachments: Ltr Minister Bennett and Minister Polak 8 February 2017.pdf; Ltr Louise Gordon 17 October 2016.pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Shihang

Could you please CLIFF this meeting request and send to Coleen for a briefing note ...
If we could have a note back to the DMO by March 21, that would be good.

We are still confirming a meeting date.

Attendees: Elaine McKnight, DM, MEM
Peter Robb, ADM, MEM
Wes, ENV

And whomever from staff that Mark would be sending.

Thank you
Bev

From: Crozier, Bev ENV:EX
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 10:00 AM
To: McCann, Meghan MEM:EX
Cc: Crozier, Bev ENV:EX
Subject: CHECKING IN: Potential Interest in the Tulsequah Chief Project

Hi Meghan

Just checking in on this one. Wes has not yet heard back from Elaine re the highlighted area. Can you please check with her and confirm?

Do we need to arrange a joint DM / stakeholder meeting as Wes suggests?

Thanks,



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Cc: Honourable John Rustad (ABR.Minister@gov.bc.ca) <ABR.Minister@gov.bc.ca>; Elaine McKnight (elaine.mcknight@gov.bc.ca) <elaine.mcknight@gov.bc.ca>; Doug Caul (Doug.caul@gov.bc.ca) <Doug.caul@gov.bc.ca>
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Dear Minister Bennett and Minister Polak,

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Many thanks.

Kind regards,

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October 17, 2016

Ms. Louise Gordon
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Dear Ms. Gordon,

As you are likely aware, in September 2016, the owner of the Tuslequah Chief project, Chieftain Metals Corp., was placed into receivership and a court-appointed Receiver was appointed to sell the company's assets. In light of that development, I am writing today to introduce our company, Black Loon Metals ("Black Loon"), and to explore the potential for working in partnership with the Taku River Tlingit First Nation ("TRTFN") as we evaluate pursuing this opportunity.

We are fully aware of the long history of this project, going right back to the historic legal fight brought by the TRTFN all the way to the Supreme Court of Canada. That 2004 decision (along with the *Haida* decision released the same day) was a major advancement and provided the basis for all subsequent law on the Crown's duty to consult.

We believe the present circumstances present another historic opportunity whereby the right proponent can strengthen the relationship with the TRTFN, and find a way of going forward that addresses your community's economic social, cultural and environmental interests.

Black Loon is Canadian private company with the strategy of becoming a multi-mine metals producer. The management and Board of Directors of Black Loon is comprised of a committed team of experienced mining executives, with extensive capital markets and direct operating experience including recent experience in managing and moving mining assets through pre-development in B.C. Our webpage is www.blackloonmetals.com. In particular, the majority of the management team of Black Loon were part of Alloycorp Mining Inc., which from April, 2014 to September, 2015, successfully pre-developed the \$1-billion Avanti-Kitsault project near Terrace, B.C.

By way of background, I would like to share with you a bit of my own story. I have been a mining and banking executive for several decades. In 2014, I was appointed President and CEO of Alloycorp Mining, the owner of the Avanti-Kitsault Mine; that project had been the subject of very significant discord between the company and the Nisga'a Nation for years, resulting in two court proceedings and the first ever invocation of the Nisga'a Treaty dispute settlement provisions. My first step as CEO was to meet with the Nisga'a leadership to state clearly that my intention was to work together not in opposition. To make a long story short, we were able to achieve a comprehensive benefits agreement, and a corresponding environmental side agreement, within 31 days. Many of the members of my team at Alloycorp Mining are now members of my team at Black Loon. We are very proud of the work we accomplished with the Nisga'a Nation and we would very much like the chance to explore a similar cooperative engagement with you.

At the present time, our company has not made any decisions or commitments regarding acquiring this project. We would however, like to meet with you at your earliest convenience to discuss if there is, or is not, an interest in working together to pursue the collaborative development of this project, should we be the new owners of the project. If there is such an interest, we are open to discussing various arrangements, including options such as:

- TRTFN membership on the Tulsequah Board of Directors;
- An environmental committee, comprised 50% of TRTFN members, that would provide advice to the board on all aspects of exploration, project design and operations;
- TRTFN equity in the project (at no cost to the TRTFN); and
- TRTFN training, employment and contracting

We expect that we will need to decide in the relatively near future whether this is a project that we wish to pursue, and the potential to do so in partnership with your community would be an important part of our decision-making. As such, we would be very interested in meeting with you (and the Clan Directors if you wish).

I, along with members of my executive team, would be happy to make ourselves available to meet with you in the coming weeks at any location you may prefer to discuss these thoughts of a collaborative approach to development of the project.

Many thanks in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

BLACK LOON METALS INC.



Gordon J. Bogden
Executive Chairman

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February 8, 2017

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Minister Mary Polak
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Dear Minister Bennett and Minister Polak,

As you are aware, Chieftain Metals has entered into bankruptcy proceedings and a process is presently underway to determine whether and how the Tulsequah Chief project will move forward. Our company, Black Loon Metals Inc., has recently established a role as the leading potential proponent (working closely with Chieftain's largest creditor and other potential investors) and I am writing you today to provide an update on our plans.

Black Loon is Canadian private company with the strategy of becoming a multi-mine metals producer. The management of Black Loon is comprised of a committed team of experienced mining executives, with extensive capital markets and direct operating. In particular, the majority of the management team of Black Loon were part of Alloycorp Mining Inc., which from April, 2014 to September, 2015, successfully pre-developed the Avanti-Kitsault project near Terrace, B.C.

We believe that the present situation is one that is perfectly suited to our company. We have a very strong record of working successfully with First Nations to jointly overcome complex and long-standing environmental issues in the mining sector. As you may recall, I was CEO of Alloycorp Mining Inc. during the period of time that we successfully negotiated a Comprehensive Benefit Agreement with the Nisga'a Nation and a corresponding Environmental Agreement, which put to an end many years of rancor and discord. I am proud to say that the Nisga'a leadership repeatedly commented on the different approach taken once I became head of that company, and Alloycorp as a result had the honour of being the first company to attend the Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a as a guest of the Nisga'a Lisims Government.

We see many environmental and First Nation parallels between the Kitsault and Tulsequah Chief mine projects and we are committed to unlocking value through cooperation and partnership with the local community. To that end, I have also sent the enclosed letter to Louise Gordon which outlines our commitment to partnership and respectful engagement.

We would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with you both to discuss our plans at your earliest convenience. In particular, we would like to discuss our thoughts and options regarding potentially restarting the water treatment plant while some additional exploration work is undertaken. We would also be interested in hearing your perspectives on the project generally and the status of relations between the province and the Taku River Tlingit.

Please let us know if you might have some time to meet with us in the next few weeks. I would be happy to make myself available in either Vancouver or Victoria as best suits your schedules.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

BLACK LOON METALS INC.



Gordon J. Bogden
Executive Chairman

Encl:

cc: Honourable John Rustad, Minister of Aboriginal Relations
Elaine McKnight, Deputy Minister, Energy and Mines
Wes Shoemaker, Deputy Minister, Environment
Doug Caul, Deputy Minister, Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation

Crozier, Bev ENV:EX

From: Shoemaker, Wes ENV:EX
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 3:01 PM
To: 'Gordon Bogden'; McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX
Cc: Robin Junger; Daniella Dimitrov; Shane Uren (shaneu@greenwoodenvironmental.ca); Crozier, Bev ENV:EX
Subject: RE: Tulsequah Project

Thanks for your letter Gordon. Elaine and I will discuss with staff and get back to you as soon as we can.

Wes

From: Gordon Bogden [<mailto:gordon@blackloonmetals.com>]
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 2:34 PM
To: McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX; Shoemaker, Wes ENV:EX
Cc: Robin Junger; Daniella Dimitrov; Shane Uren (shaneu@greenwoodenvironmental.ca)
Subject: Tulsequah Project

Dear Elaine and Wes,

Please see the attached letter regarding Black Loon's potential interest in the Tulsequah Project.

Kind regards,

Gord

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Mr. Wes Shoemaker
Deputy Minister
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Dear Ms. McKnight and Mr. Shoemaker,

I would like to again thank you and your colleagues for taking the time to speak with us last Friday to discuss our potential interest in acquiring the Tulsequah Chief Mine from the Chieftain Metals receivership.

As I mentioned in our meeting, we believe that our approach to the project -- and in particular our strong desire to explore a meaningful partnership with the Taku River Tlingit First Nation -- presents a greater potential for success (broadly defined) than may have ever existed in the past, as well as a potential to advance the clean-up of the site and water treatment necessitated by past activities.

At the same time, we understand that there is no guarantee the TRTFN will come to support the project and partner with us. It will take us some time and a serious commitment to determine whether this is possible. We do not want to get ahead of our potential partners.

In all the circumstances, if we were to proceed with the acquisition, our plan would be to undertake an initial phase which would consist of:

- Physical clean-up of the site (debris removal etc.) and upgrade and restart water treatment plant;
- Discussions and negotiations with the TRTFN on social, economic and environmental matters, which we hope could include both a Cooperation and Benefits Agreement and a separate Environmental Cooperation Agreement to supplement provincial permitting (like we negotiated with the Nisga'a Nation in respect of the Kitsault project when I was CEO of Alloycorp Mining);
- Information gathering, including updating of technical studies and assessment of financing alternatives, to help confirm whether and on what terms the project could feasibly proceed;
- Updating permits, including seeking amendments to the environmental assessment certificate to enable barging and use of airships rather than road construction, and seeking any additional permits as necessary with implementation of certain monitoring; and
- Potentially initiating some of the previously approved construction activities.

We anticipate this phase could take up to three years, although, we do hope to reach a positive determination to proceed sooner. During this period, we would be prepared to upgrade and then restart the approved water treatment system and run it at our expense. This would include a capital expenditure of approximately \$1 million to optimize the system. Based on the necessary work, we would expect the restart to take place in 2018.

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In order to help us make a decision whether or not to proceed, we are seeking confirmation of two things by the Province:

1. The Province will continue to hold and apply toward the project the \$1.2M in bonding held under the permits and is not (within the next three years) planning to impose any material amendments to the existing permits (including in respect of bonding) under the Mines Act and Environmental Management Act in relation to activities presently permitted; and
2. If Black Loon decides at the end of a three-year period that it does not intend to proceed further with the project it will be permitted (if it chooses) to surrender its claims, leases and permits to the Province without any further obligation to continue operating the water treatment system or execute on the closure plan.

We appreciate that additional reclamation bonding will be required if and as any further activities are sought to be permitted, and we also appreciate that Black Loon would be responsible for any environmental impacts it may cause (though we expect the environmental impacts of this phase to be only positive).

In addition to the above, we would greatly appreciate receiving a copy of the EY reclamation bonding analysis, the recent provincial risk assessments and the updated closure plan being completed by the province that were mentioned in our meeting. We would be willing to sign a confidentiality agreement.

We believe that this represents a tremendous opportunity that has no downside for any party, and has significant potential upsides for everyone including the Province, our company, and the TRTFN.

At minimum, it would ensure the site is cleaned and that the water treatment system is improved and operated for several years without taxpayer expense.

In a best case scenario, it will see a long term, environmentally sustainable development of this project with the partnership and support of the TRTFN. That is, of course, a matter for the TRTFN to decide, but we are committed to doing everything we can to show we are serious about working with them and that we recognize how significant this proposed project has been for that community (going right back to the historic 2004 Supreme Court of Canada *Taku* decision, from which the duty to consult sprang forth).

Sincerely,

BLACK LOON METALS INC.



Gordon J. Bogden
Executive Chairman

cc: Robin Junger, McMillan LLP
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From: Crozier, Bev ENV:EX
Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2017 4:17 PM
To: 'Daniella Dimitrov'
Cc: McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX; Gordon Bogden; Shane Uren; Robin Junger; McCann, Meghan MEM:EX; Crozier, Bev ENV:EX
Subject: RE: Tulsequah Chief - Black Loon - Follow Up

Good afternoon everyone

Further to the email below, Wes Shoemaker is available next week as follows for a meeting in Victoria:

April 10 Between 9:00 – 12:00

April 10 Between 1:00 – 3:00

April 11 Between 9:00 – 11:00

April 12 Between 3:00 – 4:30

Please let me know what date / time works with your calendars and I will send a meeting invitation.

Thank you,



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Thank you very much Wes - much appreciated !!
DD

On Apr 6, 2017, at 1:01 PM, Shoemaker, Wes ENV:EX <Wes.Shoemaker@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Thanks for the message Daniella. I will see if we can pull together another discussion for next week. I will have my assistant Bev reach out to you and try to find us a time.

Wes

From: Daniella Dimitrov [<mailto:daniella@blackloonmetals.com>]

Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2017 3:58 AM

To: McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX; Shoemaker, Wes ENV:EX

Cc: Gordon Bogden; Shane Uren; Robin Junger

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To: Shoemaker, Wes ENV:EX; McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX
Cc: Eichenberger, Kathy MEM:EX
Subject: Fwd: Tulsequah Chief - Black Loon - Follow Up

Elaine/Wes

We are meeting early next week internally and have you something ahead of a follow up meeting with Blackloon.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Shoemaker, Wes ENV:EX" <Wes.Shoemaker@gov.bc.ca>
Date: April 6, 2017 at 10:01:07 AM PDT
To: 'Daniella Dimitrov' <daniella@blackloonmetals.com>, "McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX" <Elaine.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>, "Crozier, Bev ENV:EX" <Bev.Crozier@gov.bc.ca>
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Subject: RE: Tulsequah Chief - Black Loon - Follow Up

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Wes

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From: Daniella Dimitrovs.22
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2017 4:06 AM
To: Robin Junger; Eichenberger, Kathy MEM:EX
Cc: gordon@blackloonmetals.com; Shane Uren; daniella@blackloonmetals.com; Shoemaker, Wes ENV:EX; McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX
Subject: Re: Meeting to discuss Tulsequah site/project/permit issues

Good morning Kathy,

Our apologies for the delay in responding. We have been tied up in negotiations and things appear to be moving well on that front.

As mentioned to Wes, we are in a rather tight time situation and meeting two weeks out is a bit problematic. We were hoping to have the meeting this week. Is there a chance we could find even an hour, perhaps this Friday morning or Monday (even if we have to proceed with some but not all of the relevant people available)? We believe these discussions are important to our overall decision-making and we believe there remains a possibility of a path forward that is positive for all parties and environmental protection generally.

If there is no possibility of meeting in the next few days, we would greatly appreciate it if you could please let us know if it possible to at least meet sometime next week?

Thank you very much and regards,

Daniella

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From: Robin Junger <Robin.Junger@mcmillan.ca>
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Cc: s.22 "gordon@blackloonmetals.com"
<gordon@blackloonmetals.com>; Shane Uren <shaneu@greenwoodenvironmental.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 9:39 PM
Subject: Re: Meeting to discuss Tulsequah site/project/permit issues

Thanks Kathy. Sorry for the delay.

I have connected with Gord and Daniella. They are juggling things and I know time is of the essence so expect they will respond to you very soon

Regards

Robin

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On Apr 19, 2017, at 4:54 PM, Eichenberger, Kathy MEM:EX <Kathy.Eichenberger@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Any news?

From: Robin Junger [<mailto:Robin.Junger@mcmillan.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 3:00 PM
To: Eichenberger, Kathy MEM:EX
Subject: RE: Meeting to discuss Tulsequah site/project/permit issues

Thx Kathy – I have passed along.

Regards,

Robin

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Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 2:16 PM

To: Robin Junger
Subject: RE: Meeting to discuss Tulsequah site/project/permit issues

Now it looks like afternoon of May 3rd is the only time that would work in the near term.
Hopefully that will work for your team.

From: Robin Junger [mailto:Robin.Junger@mcmillan.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 12:20 PM
To: Eichenberger, Kathy MEM:EX
Subject: RE: Meeting to discuss Tulsequah site/project/permit issues

Hi Kathy

Got it thanks – I am just waiting to hear back from the others on our team re availability.

Regards,

Robin

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Hi Robin,
My emails have bounced back. Hope this finds you.
Cheers
Kathy

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Sent: Thursday, April 13, 2017 3:07 PM
To: Robb, Peter L. MEM:EX; Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX; Howe, Diane J MEM:EX; McGuire, Jennifer ENV:EX; Rowbotham, Elizabeth J JAG:EX; 'Robin.Junger@macmillan.ca'; 'shaneu@greenwoodenvironmental.ca'
Subject: RE: Meeting to discuss Tulsequah site/project/permit issues

Hello all,
We've already narrowed down the options to the afternoon of May 3rd and May 5th.
Please let me know if you can accommodate those dates.
Thanks
Kathy

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Hello,

As a follow up to yesterday's meeting, it was suggested that we get together to discuss more in depth questions and issues regarding the site, the project and the permits prior to the ministries responding to Black Loon Metals' March 30th correspondence to Elaine McKnight and Wes Shoemaker. I propose that we meet for 2 hours here at MEM in Victoria.

Please let me know when you would not be able to attend, either in person (preferable) or by phone.

Thank you all,
Kathy

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From: McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 12:14 PM
To: Robb, Peter L. MEM:EX; Shoemaker, Wes ENV:EX
Subject: FW: Black Loon Metals and Tulsequah Chief Project
Attachments: Ltr Louise Gordon DM McKnight 25 April 2017.pdf

FYI

Elaine

From: Melissa Santagato [<mailto:melissa@blackloongroup.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 12:12 PM
To: govern.spokesperson@gov.trtfn.com; McKnight, Elaine L MEM:EX
Cc: spoke.assist@gov.trtfn.com
Subject: Black Loon Metals and Tulsequah Chief Project

Dear Ms. Gordon,

On behalf of Mr. Gordon Bogden, Executive Chairman of Black Loon Metals Inc. please see the letter attached regarding the Tulsequah Chief project.

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April 25, 2017

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Ms. Elaine McKnight
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British Columbia – Ministry of Mines & Energy
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Dear Ms. Gordon and Ms. McKnight,

I would like to take the opportunity to reiterate to you that Black Loon Metals remains sincerely interested in, and committed to, working in full partnership with the Taku River Tlingit First Nation (TRTFN) to explore a win-win opportunity concerning the Tulsequah Chief project.

Unlike some projects that may require a *choice* between environmental impacts and economic opportunity, in this case the best and most affordable solution to the environmental problems we believe, is to complete the mining operation and ensure appropriate closure. We would like to play a role in that, in full partnership with the TRTFN, as noted in my October 17, 2016, letter. That partnership would not be limited to an economic interest, rather it would also include a meaningful role in project planning and governance.

Given the status of the court proceedings concerning the Chieftain receivership, we believe a window of opportunity exists and we would very much welcome the opportunity to sit down in a tripartite manner to discuss these issues and hopefully chart a common path forward. We would be happy to do so completely without prejudice to the TRTFN position on the project, and would not in any way hold out such a meeting as indicating support for even constituting consultation in respect of the proposed project. We just want to ensure that the TRTFN is able to hear from us directly as to the different approach that we are prepared to offer as compared to other companies. As I hope is clear, we want to work with government and the TRTFN on this project because we believe it could be a win-win opportunity for the TRTFN and the province as a whole, as well as our company. More specifically, we think it could become a prime example of how, when companies, First Nations and governments work together through honest and candid discussions that major successes can be found where others have yet to find them.

We do appreciate that a provincial election campaign is ongoing and that government agencies may have limited ability to address certain matters at this point, but we would nonetheless welcome the opportunity to meet with each of you, or those that you may designate, as soon as possible.

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Thank you again for your consideration and please let me know if you would be able and willing to meet in person or speak by telephone sometime during the week of May 1st to 6th. In the meanwhile, please do not hesitate to call me directly on (416) 646-1047, if you would like to speak.

Sincerely,

BLACK LOON METALS INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Bogden", written in a cursive style.

Gordon J. Bogden
Executive Chairman

cc: Wes Shoemaker, Deputy Minister, British Columbia – Ministry of Environment

Doug Caul, Deputy Minister, British Columbia – Ministry of Aboriginal Relations and
Reconciliation

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