

2. INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION AND CONSULTATION

2.1 FIRST NATIONS, GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC CONSULTATION OVERVIEW

A key feature of the Environmental Assessment Act is the requirement for ongoing, meaningful public participation in the assessment of reviewable projects. In view of this, the consultation program for the Mackenzie Green Energy Centre (MGECC) was designed to ensure that interested parties were aware of the project, had the opportunity to learn about the project, and had the opportunity to ask questions and provide input to the project proponents.

Although the formal pre-Application consultation program for the MGECC began in February 2006 and continued through to submission of the Application, consultation with local First Nations, government agencies, the public and other interested parties actually began in mid-2005 in anticipation of the BC Hydro 2006 Call for Power. For the purpose of this Application, the period from mid-2005 to submission of the Application is considered the pre-Application period.

Consultation undertaken from 2005 to submission of the Application focussed on discussions with government officials, Treaty 8 First Nations with an interest in the project, and the public and stakeholder groups. The main objectives of the pre-Application consultation program were to ensure that all interested parties:

- were aware of the project;
- had the opportunity to learn about the project;
- had the opportunity to contribute to the identification and resolution of concerns and issues and the enhancement of benefits;
- had a variety of opportunities to provide input into the project and that the input was considered in the project design and reflected in the Application; and
- that open lines of communication that would carry on through the life of the project were established.

These objectives were achieved by:

- providing project information to interested parties throughout the study period in a variety of manners (information advertisements, meetings, presentations, ongoing phone contact);
- providing opportunities for two-way communication and feedback and numerous opportunities for interested parties to provide comments and ask questions;
- responding to comments and questions and considering the input received in the final project design; and,
- adjusting the program as required to ensure that it met the needs of those interested in the project.

The consultation program involved the active participation of the technical consultants in all aspects of the program. For example, the interviews undertaken as part of the socio-economic and environmental impact assessments also served as forums for issue

identification. This ongoing interaction helped ensure that all concerns were identified and could be addressed on an ongoing basis.

Although plans for both the general and First Nations consultation programs were developed early in the study process, the programs remained flexible and were refined throughout the course of the pre-Application phase to ensure that they were at all times responsive to the needs of the interested parties. This approach will continue through subsequent phases of the consultation program.

The following sub-sections summarize the pre-Application consultation program. Mackenzie Green Energy LP (MGELP) will continue to consult with interested parties through the Application review period and, should the project be approved, through the construction and operations stages of the project.

2.1.1 Overview of Consultation Program Components

This section describes the key components of the pre-Application consultation program namely stakeholder identification, project information distribution and two-way communication activities including input received from all interested parties. Specific activities undertaken with First Nations, Government Agencies and the public and stakeholder groups are discussed in the sub-sections that follow.

2.1.1.1 Identification of Interested Parties

MGELP recognized early in the project planning process that it was important for interested parties to be informed about the project and to have the opportunity to provide input to the project proponent. MGELP also recognized that a proactive approach would help ensure that potential issues were identified and that positive effects were enhanced and negative effects mitigated.

An initial list of interested parties was prepared based on discussions with local, regional, federal and provincial governments, local First Nations and community groups and organizations (e.g., Chamber of Commerce, Pope & Talbot) as well as on internet searches for active groups in the project area. Identification of interested parties continued throughout the pre-Application phase with names being added from a variety of sources including governments, meeting attendees, and direct contact. The specific groups that MGELP provided information to and requested feedback from included:

- Mackenzie residents and businesses;
- First Nations with an interest in the project area;
- Governments (federal, provincial, regional district, municipal);
- community groups;
- individuals and groups interested in natural resource development in BC;
- community service providers; and
- the media.

The tables included in Sections 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 identify those contacted prior to submission of the Application.

2.1.1.2 Project Information and Two-Way Communication

As noted earlier, key components of the consultation process were ensuring that interested parties had the information they required to make informed decisions about the project and providing opportunities for the exchange of information between interested parties and MGELP. The means through which information was distributed and exchanged are summarized below. All or a subset of these activities were used in the First Nations, government agency, and public and stakeholder group consultation programs.

2.1.1.2.1 Advertisement for the Terms of Reference Comment Period

An advertisement providing overview information on the project and stating that the Draft Terms of Reference for the MGEC was available for review and comment was placed in the Mackenzie Times newspaper on June 13, 2006. The BC EAO also placed a copy of the advertisement on the EAO website. A copy of the advertisement is contained in Appendix B-1.

The EAO did not receive any public or stakeholder group comments on the Draft Terms of Reference.

2.1.1.2.2 Information Advertisements

Two information ads were placed in the Mackenzie Times during the pre-Application period. The first appeared on April 4, 2004, and the second appeared twice, on December 12 and December 19, 2006.

The first information ad provided an overview of the project as well as contact information for the project. The second ad provided a project overview and contact information as well as information about the environmental review, including the BC EAO web-site address.

Copies of both info ads can be found in Appendix B-2.

MGEC received no questions or comments in response to the information ads that ran in the Mackenzie Times.

2.1.1.2.3 Natural Resource Forum – Special Show Supplement

Mackenzie Green Energy LP participated in the BC Natural Resources Forum in Prince George on January 12 and 13, 2006, and on January 11 and 12, 2007. The Forum is an annual event designed to bring government and community decision makers and natural resource focussed business representatives together to discuss the challenges and opportunities facing those involved in the resource sector in BC.

As part of the Forum, an information ad with information on the project and the project proponents appeared in the Special Show Supplement. Each year, approximately 32,000 copies of the Special Show supplement are distributed through the Prince George Free Press. Copies of the 2006 and 2007 information advertisements that appeared in the Show Supplement are contained in Appendix B-3.

MGEC received no questions or comments, other than those by individuals and companies interested in economic opportunities, as a result of the information ads that appeared in the Show Supplements in 2006 and 2007.

2.1.1.2.4 Project Information Sheet

A project information sheet was prepared early in the study process and updated as the project progressed. It provided an overview of the MGEC, the project's contribution to economic development in Northern BC, the environmental benefits from the project, and a project contact number.

The information sheet was on the project web-site and was distributed at meetings including Council meetings, meetings with First Nations, Chamber of Commerce lunch meetings, meetings with other interested parties and the 4th and 5th annual BC Natural Resource Forums in Prince George.

An example of the information sheet can be found in Appendix B-4.

2.1.1.2.5 Project Web-Site

A project web-site (www.mackenziegreenenergy.ca) was set up and maintained throughout the pre-Application phase. A link to the project web-site was also found on the Pristine Power Inc. site. The project web-site contained a project overview, a copy of the project information sheet, information on Pristine Power and Balanced Power Engineering, two of the partners in the MGEC and project contact information, including the toll free phone number and e-mail address.

The project web-site address was advertised in the information advertisements placed in the Mackenzie Times and the Natural Resource Forum Show Supplements as well as on the project information sheet. From April 2006 to date, the project web-site has received approximately 11,250 hits.

Following submission of the Application, those accessing the site will be made aware that a copy of the Application can be reviewed on-line at the EAO web-site.

2.1.1.2.6 Project Telephone Line and E-mail

A toll-free phone number and e-mail address were established early in the study period to enable interested parties to provide information to and/or request information from MGEC. These were advertised in the information ads, on the project web-site and on the project info sheet.

MGEC did not receive any calls or e-mails via the toll free phone line or project e-mail during the pre-Application period other than those inquiring about employment or business opportunities.

2.1.1.2.7 Media Coverage

The MGEC received media coverage in the study area in the Mackenzie Times newspaper and on the local radio station. Representatives of local media also attended presentations and project updates by MGEC in the community.

2.1.1.2.8 Presentations

A number of PowerPoint presentations were prepared during the pre-Application phase to provide an overview of the project to interested parties. Presentations were made to a number of different groups (e.g., Ministers and government agencies, First Nations, Chamber of Commerce, Mayor and Council) during the pre-Application period. The presentations generally provided an overview or update on the project as well as more

detailed information on key aspects of the project (e.g. fuel supply). The presentation was updated regularly. A question and answer session generally followed the presentation. Copies of the presentations were provided to attendees at each of the meetings.

Information regarding specific presentations is contained in Sections 2.2.1.2, 2.3.1.2 and 2.4.1.2. Two sample presentations are contained in Appendix B-5.

2.1.1.2.9 Responses to Stakeholder Questions

One of the key means of providing project information to interested parties was to respond directly to the specific questions and comments raised through comments on the Terms of Reference, in meetings or through other forms of direct contact.

Ongoing telephone and e-mail contact was used to respond to questions and to provide information on the project. The contacts are summarized in Sections 2.2.1.2, 2.3.1.2 and 2.4.1.2.

The responses to Government Agency and First Nations comments on the Draft Terms of Reference are contained in Appendix B-6.

2.1.1.2.10 Direct Stakeholder Contact

During the pre-Application period, information was provided and exchanged through numerous meetings, phone calls and e-mails. These are captured in Sections 2.2.1.2, 2.3.1.2 and 2.4.1.2.

Contact with First Nations, government agencies, the public and stakeholder groups will continue through the Application review period and, should the project be approved, through construction and operation. Many of the information distribution and exchange vehicles discussed above will continue to be used but the program will, at all times, remain flexible to ensure that it meets the needs of those interested in the project and MGELP.

The following sections discuss the specific nature of the consultation undertaken with First Nations, government agencies and the public and stakeholder groups.

2.2 FIRST NATIONS CONSULTATION

MGELP recognizes the importance of First Nations input in project planning and development and is committed to working with the Treaty 8 First Nations who have expressed an interest in the project to ensure that consultation and communications activities undertaken address their needs and that the interested First Nations continue to have the opportunity to learn about the project and have their questions and concerns addressed.

This commitment was evidenced by the fact that contact with the local First Nations began concurrent with project conception in mid-2005, is ongoing, and will continue through project review. Further, should the project receive an Environmental Assessment Certificate, consultation will continue through project construction and operations.

Specifically, in mid-2005, consultation began with the McLeod Lake Indian Band as the proponent identified McLeod Lake as being the closest First Nation to the project site. Subsequent to this, it was confirmed that the MGEC was located within the bounds of the Treaty 8 lands and that all Treaty 8 First Nations have equal right to utilize all of the land

within the bounds of Treaty 8. Therefore, in early 2006, the BC EAO advised all Treaty 8 First Nations that a project was being considered within their territory and invited them to participate in the project review should they so desire. The following Treaty 8 First Nations indicated an interest in the project:

- Fort Nelson First Nation
- McLeod Lake Indian Band
- Sauteau First Nations
- West Moberly First Nations

Since early 2006, MGELP has been in ongoing contact with the four First Nations through their Chief and Council and/or designated representatives for the project review as well as with the Treaty 8 Tribal Association. MGELP has committed to each of the First Nations and the Treaty 8 Tribal Association that consultation with Chiefs and Councils and dialogue with technical representatives will continue through the Application review and, should the project be approved, through construction and operations of the MGEC.

In addition to specific First Nations consultation opportunities, the First Nations and First Nations individuals, as part of the local community, are invited to participate in the broad community consultation program and this approach will continue during future consultation stages.

A number of First Nations who are not signatories to Treaty 8 also contacted MGELP regarding the project during the pre-Application phase. As a result of this contact, MGELP met with the Nak'azdli, Kwadacha and Tsay Keh Dene First Nations to discuss potential economic opportunities that the project would generate or to provide information on developing a similar project in other areas.

2.2.1 Pre-Application Consultation

2.2.1.1 Activities

During the pre-Application period, consultation with Treaty 8 First Nations who expressed an interest in the project focused on:

- providing information about the MGEC to the First Nations through a variety of means (e.g., meetings, site tours, phone calls, e-mails);
- working with the First Nations and the First Nation's 3rd party consultant to address concerns and issues raised relative to the draft TOR and to finalize the Terms of Reference to ensure that items important to the First Nations were addressed;
- responding to questions and concerns;
- identifying means through which to enhance potential benefits;
- preparing for the Application review stage (e.g., identifying potential 3rd party review consultants, discussing review stage consultation, planning for post-submission meetings);

- developing an open and honest relationship that will help MGELP and the First Nations work together effectively during the Application review and that will continue through the construction and operation of the project should it be approved.

Distribution of information, contact and consultation and discussion with the First Nations occurred through a variety of means including:

- meetings (e.g., working group meetings, meetings with individual First Nations, joint First Nations meetings);
- conducting traditional use and archaeology studies for the project area in close consultation with the First Nations communities;
- funding First Nations participation in the EA process (i.e., funding for independent, Third Party technical review of the Terms of Reference) and discussions with consultants to answer questions arising from review;
- discussions with First Nations consultants to ensure concerns were understood and addressed;
- attendance by First Nations representatives at community events;
- site visits; and
- regular phone and/or e-mail contact to ensure that any questions or concerns were identified and addressed to the extent possible.

A record of contact with the Treaty 8 First Nations as well as with the other First Nations who contacted MGELP is contained in the following sub-section.

2.2.1.2 Record of Contact

Records of contact¹ with the individual First Nations as well as the Treaty 8 Tribal Association are provided below. Although it is not mentioned repeatedly in the discussion/purpose column, all First Nations and T8TA were asked on a regular basis if they had questions or comments about the project as Mackenzie Green Energy wanted to ensure that any concerns that arose were addressed in a timely manner.

¹ These listings also identify when a project description was provided to the First Nations if it was provided by the EAO during their initial contact with the First Nation.

2.2.1.2.1 Fort Nelson First Nation

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
01/17/2007	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	Phone	Called to provide an update - message.
11/16/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	Update re TOR and study status, discussion re 3rd party review consultants, discuss site visit
11/15/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	Phone	Project update, discuss site visit
09/06/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	Follow-up re archaeology consultants
09/01/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	Query as to archeology consultants Fort Nelson First Nation has worked with
07/20/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	Confirmation of socio-economic, First Nations and consultation consultant responsibilities
07/13/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	Meeting	Presentation and discussion regarding MGEC
05/16/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	Chad thanks MGEC for information provided and indicated that he is working to arrange a joint Treaty 8 meeting
05/15/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	Letter confirming retention of LGL as 3 rd party consultants for Section 11 Order and TOR and offer to meet to discuss project
05/01/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	Phone	To discuss potential for a similar project in Fort Nelson
04/24/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	Chad provides contact information for local wood products companies
04/24/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	To discuss waste wood producers in Fort Nelson
04/21/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	Chad indicates he will provide information about Fort Nelson area opportunities
04/21/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	Phone	To discuss the Fort Nelson Band's interest in the potential development of a similar facility in the Fort Nelson area
03/27/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	Phone	Discussion re similar project for Fort Nelson and re planned meeting.

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
03/23/2006	Chad Dickie, Environmental Health Coordinator	E-mail	The EAO provided the Fort Nelson First Nation with a copy of project description and the draft TOR

2.2.1.2.2 McLeod Lake Indian Band

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
02/07/2007	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	To provide information about First Nations contacted and Application submission.
1/22/2007	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	Acknowledging receipt of information
1/22/2007	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	Verne provided information regarding Chief and Council
1/19/2007	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	Acknowledge receipt of information, request additional information
1/19/2007	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	Verne provided overview of MLIB
1/19/2007	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	To discuss TLUS and inform him that overview of MLIB will be forwarded to him for his review
12/20/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mails	Provide information regarding potential consultants to undertake 3rd party review. Response that options are fine.
12/14/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	Phone	Message re site tour
11/18/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	Meeting	Site tour
11/17/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	Confirming date/details of site tour
11/16/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	Discussion re site tour, update on TOR and studies
11/09/2006	Cheryl Chingee Land Referral Officer	Phone	Advises that representative for TUS has changed.
11/07/2006	Cheryl Chingee Land Referral Officer	Faxes	Faxed participation form for Archeology Study, Cheryl returned form
10/26/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	Fax	Verne returned participation form for TUS

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
10/25/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	Fax	Faxed participation form for TUS
10/13-14/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	Discussions re potential site tour dates
10/10/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	E-mail	Discussions re potential site tour dates
09/26/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	Fax	Verne sends letter re archaeology permit comment period
09/26/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	Phone/ Fax	To advise that archeology permit application and letter re permit period are being sent
09/25/2006	Verne Solanas Land Referral Office	Phone	Discuss permits, 3 rd party review, Verne notes that Application will provide focus for future discussions
09/12/2006	Alan Humphreys, General Manager Duz Cho Logging Ryan Bichon, Forestry Manager	Meeting	Discussion re wood supply
09/06/2006	Cheryl Chingee Land Referral Officer	E-mail	Query as to archeology consultants McLeod Lake has worked with
09/06/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief	Meeting	Project Update
08/29/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief Duz Cho Logging	E-mail	Invitation to September 6 project update
08/24/2006	Ryan Bichon, Forester Duz Cho Logging	Meeting	To discuss slash retrieval
07/11/2006	Verne Solanas	Phone	Discussions re potential site tour and TOR comments
05/15/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief	E-mail	Letter confirming retention of LGL as 3rd party consultants for Section 11 Order and TOR and offer to meet to discuss project
04/21/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief	E-mail	Follow-up re 3rd party review of Section 11 Order and TOR
04/12/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief	Meeting	EAO Working Group meeting
04/03/2006	Bob Inkpen	E-mail	Follow-up to meeting with Chief and Council
04/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief	E-mail	Invite to EAO working group meeting
03/17/2006	Bob Inkpen, Duz Cho Logging Lucy Martin, Off-reserve Band Council Representative	E-mail	Forwarding a copy of the MGEC presentation
03/13/2006	Chief and Council	Meeting	Presentation to update Chief and Council on the MGEC

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
03/7/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief	E-mail	Discussion re meeting and BC Hydro review process.
03/04/2006	Bob Inkpen	E-mail	Confirm MLIB traditional territory, suggests calling INAC
03/03/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief	E-mail	Meeting logistics
03/02/2006	Bob Inkpen	E-mail	Query regarding traditional territory
01/12/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief Bob Inkpen, Duz Cho Logging	Meeting	To discuss MGEC and opportunity for the MLIB to participate
01/11/2006	Alec Chingee, Chief	Phone	To set up a meeting at the 2006 Tech Tradeshow
10/26/2005	Alec Chingee, Chief	Phone	To congratulate the new Chief and inform him about MGEC
10/13/2005	Al Humphreys Duz Cho Logging	Phone	To discuss waste wood supply
Summer 2005	Harley Chingee, Chief	Meeting	To provide an update on the MGEC, and discuss the Band's interest in providing slash

2.2.1.2.3 *Saulteau First Nations*

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
02/09/2007	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Provide information on First Nations contacted and Application submission.
02/01/2007	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	Phone	Clayton provides comments on Saulteau First Nations overview, discuss potential meeting with Chief and Council and Lands staff
01/26/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Clayton approves ATOR
01/19/2007	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Discussion re Saulteau overview information, treaty rights
01/18/2007	Patrick Jarvis, Stewart Cameron, Gary Ochre Also in attendance – Daryl Wark (MDS) and Wayne Rothlisberger (Doig River First Nation)	Meeting	To discuss EPC contract and other opportunities for DRE/MDS relative to the MGEC

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
01/17/2007	Patrick Jarvis Industrial Relations Manager	Phone	Discussion re items for Jan 18 meeting
01/14/2007	Patrick Jarvis Industrial Relations Manager	E-mail	Confirm meeting logistics
01/03/2007	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	Phone	Discussion re potential site visit
12/28/2006	Daryl Wark, Operations Manager, MDS	Letter	Provides overview information on MDS
12/28/2006	Allan Apsassin, Chief	Letter	Advises of interest in potential business opportunities related to MGEC, offers to meet
12/20/2007	Daryl Wark, Operations Manager MDS	Phone	Requirements for EPC bid
12/20/2006	Partick Jarvis Industrial Relations Manager	Phone/ Fax	Discussion re EPC contract, forwarding of EPC bid documents, call to confirm receipt
12/20/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Provide information regarding potential 3rd party review consultants
12/15/2006	Patrick Jarvis Industrial Relations Manager	Phone	Discussion re EPC contract
12/11/2006	Patrick Jarvis Industrial Relations Manager	Phone	Discussion re 4 Evergreen Resources, EPC bid and back haul trucks
12/06/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	Phone	Discussion re site visit possibly including Council members and industrial relations representatives, opportunities for Band to be confirmed
10/25/2006	Jamie Gauthier	Faxes	Faxed participation form for TUS, form returned
11/16/2006	Partick Jarvis Industrial Relations Manager	E-mail	Provide contact info, inquire re interest in site tour, info on TOR and studies
11/16/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	Phone	Away for two weeks – contact Patrick Jarvis
11/08/2006	Sharon Cochrane	Fax	Returned participation form for Archaeology study
11/07/2006	Jamie Gauthier	Fax	Faxed participation form for Archeology Study
10/11/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Request for input regarding 3 rd party review consultants

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
10/10-11/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager		Discussions regarding potential site tour dates
10/05/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	Phone	Request update regarding letter re permit period
09/29/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	Phone	Request update regarding letter re permit period
09/26/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Update on archaeology studies, request for input re 3rd party consultants
09/26/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	Phone/ Fax	To advise that archeology permit application and letter re permit period are being sent
09/11/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Clayton identifies preferred consultants
09/07/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Provision of additional contact information
09/06/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Follow-up to previous e-mail
09/01/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Query as to archeology consultants the Saulteau have worked with
07/20/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Confirmation of socio-economic, First Nations and consultation consultant responsibilities
07/14/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	E-mail	Thanking Treaty 8 for July 13 meeting and inviting questions or comments
07/13/2006	Clayton Davis, Lands and Environment Manager	Meeting	Presentation and discussion regarding MGEC

2.2.1.2.4 West Moberly First Nations (WMFNs)

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
02/01/2007	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	Phone	Discussion re First Nations contacted, consultation, Application
01/29/2007	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mails	Re WMFNs profile information for Application
01/23/2007	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Further discussion re WMFNs profile information
01/22/2007	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Bruce provides profile information

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
01/19/2007	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Discussion re WMFNs overview and request for comments regarding TLUS
01/12/2007	Roland Willson, Chief	E-mail	Discussion re financial involvement in the project
01/12/2007	Robert Metcs Havlik Metcs Consulting Group	E-mails	Discussions re financial involvement in the project
12/20/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Provision of information regarding potential 3rd party review consultants, discussion regarding potential site tour
12/14/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	Phone	Message
12/??/2006	Roland Willson, Chief Darryl Ketter	Meeting	To discuss financial involvement in the project
11/27/2006	Robert Metcs Havlik Metcs Consulting Group	E-mail	Regarding upcoming meeting in Vancouver
11/27/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Query as to interest in site visit
11/17/2006	Robert Metcs Havlik Metcs Consulting Group	E-mail	Discussions re financial involvement in the project
11/16/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	Phone	Discussion re site tour, 3rd party review for Application
11/09/2006	Steven Desjarlais	Fax	Steven returned participation form for Archaeology study
11/08/2006	Seven Desjarlais	Phone	Call re participation form and to confirm that there would be a WMFNs representative for the archaeology study
11/02/2006	Roland Wilson, Chief	E-mail	Discussions re wood residue, business opportunities
10/26/2006	Steven Desjarlais	Fax	Steven returned participation form for TUS
10/25/2006	Steven Desjarlais	Fax	Faxed participation form for TUS
10/20/2006	Steven Desjarlais	Phone	Steven advised that letter regarding permit period would not be submitted
10/16/2006	Chief and Council	Meeting	To provide project update and discuss potential business opportunities
10/11/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor	E-mail	Meeting logistics

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
10/10/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Discussions re potential site tour dates
10/06/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor	E-mail	Discussions re potential site tour dates
10/05/2006	Steven Desjarlais	Phone	Request update regarding letter re permit period
10/04/2006	Robert Metcs Havlik Metcs Consulting Group	E-mail	Request for information regarding potential financial participation in project
10/03/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor	E-mail	Update on potential meeting
10/03/2006	Roland Willson, Chief	E-mail	MGELP will wait to hear from Chief and Council re date
10/03/2006	Roland Willson, Chief	E-mail	Indicates that West Moberly is interested in another meeting
10/03/2006	Roland Willson, Chief Kori Dokkie, Councillor J Lewis	E-mails	Project update and discussion of upcoming meeting
09/29/2006	Steven Desjarlais	Phone	Discussion re letter re permit period
09/26/2006	Steven Desjarlais	Phone/ Fax	To advise that archeology permit application and letter re permit period are being sent
09/26/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Update on archaeology studies, request for input re 3rd party consultants
09/20/2006	Robert Metcs Havlik Metcs Consulting Group	E-mail	MGELP provides project information sheet
09/20/2006	Robert Metcs Havlik Metcs Consulting Group	E-mail	Requests information regarding MGEC
09/07/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Provision of additional contact information
09/03/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor Roland Willson, Chief Clarence Wilson, Councillor	E-mail	Confirming meeting date
08/31/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor Roland Willson, Chief Clarence Wilson, Councillor	E-mail	Discussion re potential meeting date
08/30/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor	E-mail	Discussion re meeting
08/11/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Requesting confirmation of attendees at July 13 meeting
08/02/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor Roland Willson, Chief Clarence Wilson, Councillor	E-mail	Congratulating MGEC on EPA with BC Hydro and discussion re meeting
08/01/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor	E-mail	Discussion re potential site visit

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
07/24/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor	E-mail	Discussion re meeting date
07/21/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor	E-mail	Discussion re meeting re business opportunities
07/20/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor	E-mail	Discussion re meeting
07/20/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Confirmation of socio-economic, First Nations and consultation consultant responsibilities
07/14/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Thanking Treaty 8 for July 13 meeting and inviting questions or comments
07/13/2006	Max, Catherine Dokkie, Brandi Scott, Kori Dokkie, Clarence Wilson, Sylvia Brown, Bruce Muir	Meeting	Presentation and discussion regarding the MGEC
07/10-11/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mails	Logistics re July 13 meeting
06/23/2006	Kori Dokkie, Councillor Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	E-mail	Provided comments on Section 11 Order
05/15/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager		Letter confirming retention of LGL as 3rd party consultants for Section 11 Order and TOR and offer to meet to discuss project
04/12/2006	Bruce Muir, Land Use Manager	Meeting	EAO Working Group meeting

2.2.1.2.5 Treaty 8 Tribal Association

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
02/09/2007	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Providing information about First Nations contacted and Application submission.
01/19/2007	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Discussion regarding Treaty Rights
01/16/2007	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	Phone	Follow-up re TLUS and Treaty Rights
12/20/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mails	Request of confirmation of receipt of potential 3 rd party reviewer names – received

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
12/15/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Request for names of 3 rd party consultants
12/14/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	Phone	Discuss consultation process, he has no questions or comments, received e-mail from EAO re TOR
11/27/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Send copy of MGEC site plan
11/23/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Follow-up to site tour
11/22/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	Meeting	Site tour
11/21/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail/phone	Confirmation of November 22 site tour details
11/20/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Contact to confirm site tour
11/17/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	Phone	Message regarding potential site tour
11/17/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Contact to confirm details of site tour, provide information regarding 3rd party reviewers
11/17/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Jason identifies November 22 as preferred date for site tour, provides information regarding 3rd party review of Application
11/16/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	Phone	Discuss site tour, follow-up to July 13 meeting, 3 rd party consultants for Application
10/10/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Discussions re potential site tour dates
10/4/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mails	Discussion re 3rd party consultants
09/27/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Update re archaeology studies and request for input re 3rd party consultants for Application
09/07/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Provision of additional contact information
09/06/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Query as to archaeology consultants Treaty 8 has worked with
07/20/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist Kieran Broderick, Land and Resources Manager Steven DeRoy	E-mail	Confirmation of socio-economic, First Nations and consultation consultant responsibilities

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
07/14/2006	Kieran Broderick, Land and Resources Manager	E-mail	Thanking Treaty 8 for July 13 meeting and inviting questions or comments
07/14/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Requesting information re MGEC team member roles
07/13/2006	Kieran Broderick, Land and Resources Manager Stephen De Roy	Meeting	Presentation and discussion of MGEC
07/11/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Providing names of MGEC representatives who will attend July 13 meeting, confirm that TOR discussion will occur separately
07/11/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Providing logistics re July 13 meeting
07/05-06/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Logistics re July 13 meeting, timing of TOR review
05/15/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	E-mail	Letter confirming retention of LGL as 3 rd party consultants for Section 11 Order and TOR and offer to meet to discuss project
05/15/2006	Jason Lee, Wildlife Biologist	Phone	Discussions re joint Treaty 8 meeting at West Moberly
04/12/2006	Jason Lee Wildlife Biologist	Meeting	EAO Working Group meeting
3/31/2006	Treaty 8 Tribal Association	Meeting	The EAO met with the T8TA and provided them with a copy of the MGEC Presentation

2.2.1.2.6 Non- Treaty 8 First Nations

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
09/15/2006	Melissa Carey Tsay Keh Dene First Nation	Meeting	To discuss business opportunities for Tsay Keh Logging Company
09/2006	Donny Van Somer, Chief Kwadacha First Nation	Meeting	To discuss business opportunities
08/30/2006	Melissa Carey Tsay Keh Dene First Nation	E-mail	Provide project description, confirm meeting
03/14/2006	Leonard Thomas, Chief Robert MacDonald, Woodlands Manager Fort St. James Band	Meeting	To provide a project overview and discuss the Band's interest in the project

2.2.1.3 Potential Issues/Opportunities Identified

A number of questions and concerns were raised by First Nations during the pre-Application phase. The majority were raised during the Application Terms of Reference review and a complete listing of questions and comments raised during the review as well as the responses provided is contained in Appendix B-6.

Following is a listing of the key items that were raised in discussions during the pre-Application phase of consultation. This does not identify every question asked and answered but rather lists the items identified by First Nations of being of particular interest or concern.

Issue	Response	Status
Increased Truck Traffic	Traffic and transportation effects were evaluated and MGEC is working to minimize the number of trucks that will be traveling on the highway past the community.	Complete. This is addressed in the Application.
Effects of Traffic on Wildlife	Potential project effects on wildlife were assessed and it was determined that the impact would be negligible. The findings are included in Sections 5 and 6 of the Application.	Complete. This is addressed in the Application
Need for Expanded Wildlife Studies	This request was accommodated in the Application Terms of Reference.	Complete. This is addressed in the Application.

Issue	Response	Status
Operations Employment	The project will create 26 operations jobs. In addition, MGELP has committed to providing two apprenticeship opportunities to the Treaty 8 First Nations with an interest in the project on an ongoing basis.	Ongoing. MGELP will continue to work with First Nations with a view to enhancing employment opportunities.
Economic Opportunities	The project will create potential opportunities for local businesses, including First Nations businesses during construction and operation. Discussions regarding opportunities will be ongoing during the Application review stage. MGELP has offered to take slash delivered by local First Nations when it is available without contractual obligations being established beforehand.	Ongoing. MGELP will continue to work with First Nations with a view to enhancing economic opportunities.
Air Quality	MGEC will facilitate closure of Pope and Talbot's wood-fired power boiler and will result a reduction in the number of beehive burners being used in the region. Further, MGEC may potentially facilitate closure of Canfor's woodwaste burner. Detailed information on air quality is contained in the Application.	Complete. This is addressed in the Application.
All Treaty 8 Bands have the right to use all Treaty 8 lands	This is recognized by MGELP and reflected throughout the relevant sections of the Application.	Complete. This is reflected in the Application.
Protection for sensitive vegetation identified in TLUS	MGEC will refrain from using chemicals in the areas identified as being sensitive.	Complete. This is addressed in the Application.

2.2.2 Planned Future Consultation Activities

Consultation with First Nations will be ongoing through project review and, should the project receive an Environmental Assessment Certificate, through construction and operation. Currently anticipated activities are described below. However, actual activities undertaken will be determined in concert with the First Nations and may be modified as the review proceeds to ensure that the needs of the First Nations, MGELP and the review process are met.

Should issues or concerns arise during future consultation phases, the same approach would be taken to addressing them as was utilized during the pre-Application period. Specifically, discussions would be held to ensure that the issue is understood by both MGELP and the First Nation raising the issue and potential means of addressing it would be discussed until a means through which to address it satisfactorily was arrived at.

2.2.2.1 Application Review

MGELP is currently in the process of discussing the Application stage consultation process with the First Nations who have expressed an interest in the project. Activities undertaken during the Application review period could include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

- meetings with Chiefs and Councils to provide an overview of the project and the highlights of the study findings contained in the Application. Discussions to arrange these meetings began prior to submission of the Application.
- additional meetings with individual First Nations Chiefs and Councils and/or technical representatives to provide information on the project and project studies. These could take the form of meetings with designated representatives or community meetings/open houses depending on the desires of the individual First Nations;
- an open house in Mackenzie following acceptance of the Application;
- advertisement in the Mackenzie Times regarding availability of the Application and review period;
- sending information directly to First Nations to advise them of the locations of the Application and the review period;
- providing opportunities for site visits should they be desired;
- provide copies of any information advertisements, press releases, etc., directly to First Nations;
- providing opportunities for First Nations to ask questions via e-mail, phone;
- providing information on contracting and job opportunities and introducing First Nations to the EPC contractor;
- discussions with First Nations and their third-party consultants regarding technical aspects of the Application;
- responding to questions and comments arising as part of the technical review of the Application; and
- participating in EAO-led activities such as working group meetings.

2.2.2.2 Construction

Should the project be approved, a project office would be established on the site in Mackenzie. Consultation activities undertaken during construction could include:

- informing First Nations of the result of the regulatory review;
- continuing to meet the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Certificate and other commitments;
- providing opportunities for First Nations to ask questions and have their concerns addressed via e-mail, phone or in meetings;
- hosting a ground-breaking event;
- working with First Nations to enhance potential benefits;
- providing opportunities for site visits; and
- providing updates on construction activities.

Actual activities undertaken will be determined as construction proceeds and will focus on ensuring that First Nations have the information that they require and that questions and concerns are addressed.

2.2.2.3 Operations

Once the MGEC is operational, First Nations will be able to have their questions or comments addressed directly by the MGEC staff in Mackenzie.

MGELP will maintain ongoing contact with the First Nations with an interest in the project relative to the apprentice opportunities available at the facility.

2.3 CONSULTATION WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

MGELP recognizes the importance of working closely with government agencies in project planning and development and is committed to continuing to work with the agencies to ensure that they have the opportunity to learn about the project and have their questions and concerns addressed. This will help ensure that the project meets all agency requirements.

2.3.1 Pre-Application Consultation

2.3.1.1 Activities

During the pre-Application period, consultation focused on:

- providing information about the MGEC to government representatives through meetings, telephone and e-mails discussions, and at the EAO Working Group meeting;
- working to finalize the Terms of Reference;
- addressing questions and concerns; and

- developing a working relationship that will help MGEC and the government agencies work together effectively during the Application review period and through the construction and operation of the project should it be approved.

Activities during the pre-application phase consisted of a working group meeting as well as other meetings, phone calls and e-mails to ensure that the agencies with interest in the project had the information they required to make informed decisions about the project, to ensure that the studies being undertaken met the requirements of the various agencies and to ensure that any concerns or issues were addressed.

2.3.1.2 Record of Contact

Following is a listing of the pre-application contact with government agencies.

2.3.1.2.1 Municipal/Regional Government

Discussions with the District of Mackenzie occurred at the political and staff levels and focused on providing information about the project to the District and ensuring that the project meets all municipal requirements (e.g. zoning). Contact was through phone calls, meetings, presentations to Mayor and Council, letters and attendance by Councillors at community events (e.g. Chamber of Commerce events). Discussions with the Regional District occurred at the technical level. Key contacts undertaken with the District of Mackenzie and Regional District are identified below.

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
01/17/2007	Warren Waycheshen Chief Administrative Officer District of Mackenzie	E-mail	Local traplines, municipal taxes
01/16/2007	Warren Waycheshen Chief Administrative Officer District of Mackenzie	E-mail	Confirmation of appropriate zoning.
01/04/2007	Judi Vander Maaten Land Titles Department District of Mackenzie	Phone	Zoning
01/04/2007	Warren Waycheshen Chief Administrative Officer District of Mackenzie	Phone	Message regarding zoning
12/11/2006	Dale Primus Director Public Works District of Mackenzie	Phone	Transportation, emergency services, water and sewer and potential effects of MGEC
12/11/2006	Judi Vander Maaten Land Titles Department District of Mackenzie	Phone	New land for housing development
12/11/2006	Annette Rogers District of Mackenzie	Phone	Municipal campground and RV park

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
12/07/2006	Warren Waycheshen Chief Administrative Officer District of Mackenzie	Phone	Zoning
11/24/2006	Rachel Ryder Regional District of Fraser Fort George	Phone	Waste handling
11/21/2006	Wayne Gibson Deputy Fire Chief District of Mackenzie	Phone	Fire services and potential effect of MGEC
11/21/2006	Muir Frazer Fire Chief District of Mackenzie	Phone	Fire services and potential effect of MGEC – suggested calling Wayne Gibson
11/20/2006	Jim Marten Regional District of Fraser Fort George	Phone	Waste handling
11/20/2006	Stephanie Killam Mayor Wayne Cripps Economic Development Officer Judi Vander Maaten Land Titles Department	Meeting	General discussion regarding MGELP including recreational activities near the site
11/16/2006	Dale Primus Director, Public Works District of Mackenzie	Phone	Storm design specifications
11/09/2006	Julie Vander Maaten Land Titles Department District of Mackenzie	Phone	Zoning
10/25/2006	Rachel Ryder Environmental Services Officer Regional District of Fraser Fort George	Phone	Waste management issues, recycling programs
08/02/2006	Stephanie Killam Mayor District of Mackenzie	Meeting	General project discussion, introduce project team members to Mayor
04/12/2006	Wayne Cripps	Meeting	EAO Working Group meeting
03-04/2006	Warren Waycheshen Chief Administrative Officer District of Mackenzie	E-mail	Invited to attend EAO working group meeting
03/13/2006	Mayor and Council District of Mackenzie	Meeting	Presentation of project update
03/09/2006	Warren Waycheshen Chief Administrative Officer District of Mackenzie	Letter	Zoning
02/28/2006	Mayor and Council District of Mackenzie	Letter	Taxation

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
01/19/2006	Brent Proctor Councillor District of Mackenzie	Meeting	Project update
10/27/2005	Warren Waycheshen Chief Administrative Officer District of Mackenzie	Meeting	Review project and provide update on status
09/12/2005	Mayor and Council District of Mackenzie	Meeting	Project update

2.3.1.2.2 Provincial and Federal Governments

Discussions with provincial and federal agencies focused on both the environmental review process and specific issues related to project development. Meetings were held with the provincial Minister of Environment, Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection, Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Forests, and the BC Environmental Assessment Office. Contact was also made with the Ministry of Energy. Representatives of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency attended the project introduction meeting. Contact with other Ministries and agencies was made to gather information required to complete the project studies. A summary of contact with provincial and federal governments is contained in the following tables.

Provincial Government²

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
BC Treaty Commission			
03/08/2006	Mark Smith Treaty Advisor	Phone	To identify First Nations with an interest in the study area
Environmental Assessment Office			
2006-2007	David Parsons, Kim Cholette, Alan Calder	Meetings, phone, e-mails	Ongoing regular contact with the EAO regarding the review process, TOR, First Nations consultation, and other project matters
04/12/2006	Kim Cholette, Project Assessment Director Sarah Wilson	Meeting	EAO Working Group Meeting

² This listing also includes identification of those invited to participate in the EAO working group.

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
10-11/2005	Sue Bonnyman Project Assessment Director	Meeting, phone, e-mails	To introduce MGEC
Ministry of Community Services			
03-04/2006	Dannie Carsen	E-mail	Invitation to EAO Working Group Meeting
Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources			
10/10/2006	Janice Larson Senior Policy Advisor	E-mail	MGELP provides update on road use.
09/12/2006	Janice Larson Senior Policy Advisor	E-mail	Follow-up to meeting. Janice provides information on road and contacts.
08/2006	Janice Larson Senior Policy Advisor	Phone	Discussion re potential roads for hauling woodwaste.
03-04/2006	Janice Larson Senior Policy Advisor	E-mail	Invitation to EAO Working Group Meeting
08/09/2005	Richard Neufeldt, Minister	Letter	To request meeting to update Minister on MGEC
Ministry of Environment			
01/31/2007	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Discussion re ash landfill.
01/24/2007	Anne Thogersen Fish and Wildlife Branch	Phone	To obtain hunting statistics for broad study area.
01/12/2007	Rich Gerard, Regional Manager Melissa Winfield-Lesk, Section Head Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer Maureen Bilawchuk, Environmental Protection Section Head Dennis Fudge, Air Quality Meteorologist	Meeting	Presentation and discussion of interim results of the environmental assessment for water and air quality.
11/20/2006	Greg Watts Wildlife Biologist	Phone	To determine if there are any traplines in the area. Notes that trappers are not allowed to trap on private land.
11/20/2006	Laverne Rooker	Phone	Brief discussion re trappers, she will provide information regarding trappers
11/15/2006	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Provides info re existing air permits.

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
11/10/2007	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Discussion re other approved projects, existing air permits and hog fuel storage
11/03/2006	Douglas Hill	Phone	Request permit reports for emissions and groundwater monitoring at ash landfill in Williams Lake
10/31/2006	Sue Woodbine Environmental Protection Officer	Phone	To obtain permits for Howe Sound and Powell River pulp mills
10/31/2006	Carl Johnson	Phone	To obtain permits for cogen in Kootenay region
10/30/2006	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Provides information re hog fuel storage.
10/27/2006	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Requesting info re best practices/guidelines re hog fuel storage/reclamation areas.
10/23/2006	George Leu	Phone	To obtain air permits from Gold River biomass facility
10/23/2006	Brian Yemelst	Phone	To obtain air permits for Weyerhaeuser in Kamloops – suggests calling Weyerhaeuser directly
10/23/2006	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Confirms permit requirements regarding groundwater monitoring.
10/20/2006	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Query re landfill permit and groundwater monitoring information.
10/20/2006	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Response with information regarding emission levels for wood fired boilers.
10/18/2006	Barb Beyer, Environmental Protection Officer	E-mail	Query as to existing permits for wood fired boilers in BC.
09/12/2006	Rich Gerard, Regional Manager Barb Beyer and Maureen Bilawchuk, Environmental Protection Officers	Meeting	Project update, details of ash landfill, permitting issues
06/01/2006	Dave Wilson, Wildlife Biologist Omineca Regional ESD Division	Phone	To discuss endangered species that might be present in the study area. Identified Sandhill Crane, Short Eared Owl and Barn Swallow as potential species of concern.

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
05/25/2006	Bill Arthur, Environmental Stewardship, Omineca Region	E-mails	Query as to comments on TOR and receipt of comments on TOR. Incorporated into draft TOR.
05/17/2006	Bill Arthur, Environmental Stewardship, Omineca Region	Phone	Discussed project and TOR. He indicated that as it was a disturbed area his role would be minor and another MoE representative would take the lead. Followed up by providing project description and draft TOR.
05/07/2006	Bill Arthur, Environmental Stewardship, Omineca Region	Phone	Provide project information, would like to review TOR, concerned we reduction in residual wood
04/12/2006	Dennis Fudge, Maureen Bilawchuk, Rich Girard, Barb Beyer	Meeting	EAO Working Group Meeting
03-04/2006	Roger Stewart ESD, Williams Lake	E-mail	Invitation to attend EAO Working Group Meeting
03/23/2006	Dave Sutherland, Section Head Dennis Fudge, Meteorologist	Phone	Discuss TOR for air quality, refine approach and agree on data for EIA
01/2006	MOE Prince George staff	Meeting	To provide an overview of the project
09/22/2005	Minister Penner, Pat Bell (MLA)	Meeting	To introduce MGEC
2005	Maureen Bilawchuk, Rich Girard, Del Reinheimer	Meeting	To introduce MGEC
Ministry of Forests			
10/17/2006	Dave Francis District Manager of Mackenzie Forest District	Phone	Request for traffic reports for smaller roads near Mackenzie – suggested calling MoT
09/10/2006	Dave Francis District Manager of Mackenzie Forest District	E-mail	Discussion re letter related to development on back road
08/25/2006	Linda Curry, Waste and Residue Specialist JP Wenger Fort St John Forest District	Meeting	Discuss woodwaste supply
08/25/2006	Dave Francis District Manager of Mackenzie Forest District	E-mail	Dave provides contacts related to road use

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
08/23/2006	Dave Francis District Manager of Mackenzie Forest District	Meeting	Discuss project and Forestry Service Roads
06/16/2006	Henry Benskin	E-mail	Thanking Henry for setting up meeting.
Ministry of Transportation			
10/23/2006	John Coombs, Manager Traffic Data Program	E-mail	Information regarding annual average traffic counts and smaller roads traffic reports
10/16/2006	Jerry Girard	Phone	Traffic reports for Mackenzie roads (Highway 97 and 39)
09/22/2006	Rick Blixrud District Manager, Transportation Fort George District	E-mail	Follow-up to meeting, discussion of project and fuel movement
09/2006	Rick Blixrud District Manager, Transportation Fort George District	Meeting	Discussion of project and fuel movement.
08/30/2006	Rick Blixrud District Manager, Transportation Fort George District	E-mail	Meeting arrangements
08/25/2006	Rick Blixrud District Manager, Transportation Fort George District	E-mail	To arrange meeting to discuss use of Germansen Landing Road
Ministry of Tourism, Sport and the Arts			
11/08/2006	Al Mackie, Permitting Officer Ray Kenny, Manager Archeology Branch Permitting and Assessment Section	E-mails	Confirm that permit will be issued on November 8
11/06/2006	Al Mackie, Permitting Officer Archeology Branch Permitting and Assessment Section	Phone	Leaves message re status of application
10/19/2006	Ray Kenny, Manager Archeology Branch Permitting and Assessment Section	Fax	Confirms that application has been sent to First Nations
10/19/2006	Al Mackie, Permitting Officer Archeology Branch Permitting and Assessment Section	E-mails	Arch Branch requests some changes to application, amended application submitted

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
10/18/2006	Al Mackie, Permitting Officer Archeology Branch Permitting and Assessment Section	E-mails	Discussion re status of permit application
10/17/2006	Ray Kenny, Manager Archeology Branch Permitting and Assessment Section	E-mail	Query as to status of application
09/29/2006	Ray Kenny, Manager Archeology Branch Permitting and Assessment Section	E-mail/Fax	Submission of revised permit application
09/06/2006	Ray Kenny, Manager Archeology Branch Permitting and Assessment Section	E-mail/Fax	Submission of permit application
03-04/2006	Al Mackie, Permitting Officer	E-mail	Invitation to EAO working group meeting

Federal Government

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation			
12/05/2006	Daryoush Aslebiza	Phone	Discuss housing information for Mackenzie
Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency			
04/12/2006	Ryan Galbraith, CEAA	Meeting	EAO Working Group meeting
Environment Canada			
05/23/2006	Andrew Robinson Environmental Assessment Coordinator Environment Canada	Phone	Provided overview of project and fieldwork. He suggested contacting a regional MOE biologist. Requested that he review TOR – could not do for three months. Followed up by e-mailing TOR to Andrew.
05/07/2006	Andrew Robinson Environmental Assessment Coordinator Environment Canada	Phone	Message to call

05/07/2006	Andre Breault Waterfowl Wetland Specialist Environment Canada	Phone	Suggest calling Andrew Robinson
Indian and Northern Affairs			
03/09/2006	Brian Martin Director of Treaties for North Area Federal Treaty Negotiation Office	Phone	To identify First Nations with an interest in the study area
03/09/2006	Neil Surry Lands Officer	Phone	To identify First Nations with an interest in the study area
Human Resources and Social Development Canada			
01/2007	Heather Middlemass	Phone/ e-mails	Follow-up regarding unemployment in study area
11/21/2006	Heather Middlemass Team Leader	Phone	To discuss unemployment in the study area

2.3.1.3 Potential Issues/Opportunities Identified

During the pre-Application period, a number of questions were raised and items identified for inclusion in the Application Terms of Reference to ensure that all aspects of the project and potential effects were adequately assessed. All of the items raised were incorporated in the Application Terms of Reference and are addressed in the Application. A copy of the ATOR tracking table which contains all items raised by government agencies and the MGEC responses is contained in Appendix B-6. The items raised are addressed in the Section of the Application identified. Specific questions were raised or comments provided regarding:

- Facility design
- Sanitary sewer, effluent and water
- Emission control technologies
- Hog fuel handling and storage
- Ash handling
- Modelling criteria/details for air quality assessment
- Water quality monitoring
- Employee housing
- Environmental Management plans
- Waste management
- Site selection
- Economic impact

None of the items raised were identified as major issues of concern but rather as areas that should be addressed in the Application and this has been done.

In addition, a variety of specific questions and comments primarily related to the items identified above as well as to employment and economic opportunities were raised in meetings and through discussions. These questions were addressed at the time they were raised or through follow-up contact.

All issues raised by government agencies to date have been addressed in the Application. MGELP will continue to work closely with government agencies through the Application review and, should the project be approved, through construction and operations to ensure that all issues that arise are addressed and that all regulatory and permit requirements are met.

2.3.2 Planned Future Consultation Activities

Consultation with government agencies will be ongoing through project review and, should the project receive an Environmental Assessment Certificate, through construction and operation.

Should issues or concerns arise during future consultation phases, the same approach would be taken to addressing them as was utilized during the pre-Application period. Specifically, discussions would be held to ensure that the issue is understood by both MGELP and the agency raising the issue and potential means of addressing it would be discussed until a means through which to address it satisfactorily was arrived at.

2.3.2.1 Application Review

During the Application review period, consultation with government agencies could occur through:

- participation in the EAO working group;
- participation in EAO-led activities in the community (e.g. Application review Open House);
- continuation of direct discussions and meetings regarding project updates and areas of specific concern; and
- responses to questions raised during the Application review period.

Actual activities undertaken will be determined as the review proceeds and will focus on ensuring that interested parties have the information that they require to fully participate in the project review process.

2.3.2.2 Construction

Should the project be approved, consultation activities during construction could include:

- informing agencies of the result of the regulatory review;
- continuing to meet the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Certificate and other commitments;
- discussions regarding permitting;
- ongoing opportunities for agencies to ask questions via e-mail, phone;

- meetings as required;
- a ground breaking event; and
- providing updates on construction activities.

Actual activities undertaken will be determined as construction proceeds and will focus on ensuring that interested parties have the information that they require and that questions and concerns are addressed.

2.3.2.3 Operations

Once the MGEC is operational, contact will continue in relation to permits and monitoring activities. As well, government agencies, along with all other interested parties, will continue to be able to have their questions answered by contacting the project office in Mackenzie.

2.4 CONSULTATION WITH PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER GROUPS

MGELP recognizes the importance of community input in project planning and development and is committed to continuing to work with the residents and stakeholder groups in Mackenzie to ensure that they have the opportunity to learn about the project and have their questions and concerns addressed.

Contact with local government (including presentations to Mayor and Council attended by local residents), the major industrial employers, the Chamber of Commerce, and local unions, along with Information Advertisements in the Mackenzie Times, helped ensure that residents of the District of Mackenzie were aware of the project. Community groups and service providers including the Elks Lodge, RCMP, College of New Caledonia, and Mackenzie Times Newspaper as well as local businesses and individuals attended events at which project overview presentations were given.

There was extensive contact with industry in the community, particularly Pope and Talbot and Canfor. Discussions were undertaken with these companies to provide information about the project and to gauge their interest in, and support for, the project. Discussions were also held with the Communications, Energy & Paperworkers Union (CEP), local trucking companies and potential providers of fuel (woodwaste) to the facility.

In many cases, individuals were made aware of the project in more than one manner as many of the people working for the major employers or businesses that supply the resource sector also belong to community groups.

2.4.1 Pre-Application Consultation

2.4.1.1 Activities

During the pre-Application period, consultation with residents and stakeholder groups, including business and industry focused on:

- providing information about the project;
- providing opportunities for interested parties to have their questions and concerns addressed;

- addressing questions and comments;
- working to identify means through which to enhance potential benefits;
- working to develop an open and honest relationship that will help MGEC and the community work together effectively during the Application review and that will continue through the construction and operation of the project should it be approved.

Information distribution and discussion with the public and stakeholder groups occurred through a variety of means including:

- meetings (e.g., Council meetings, Chamber of Commerce lunch meetings, individual meetings);
- information ads in the Mackenzie Times including project contact information;
- radio interview;
- phone and/or e-mail contact with key stakeholders to ensure that any questions or concerns were identified and addressed to the extent possible.

Specific contact is documented in the following sub-section.

2.4.1.2 Record of Contact

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
02/16/2007	Bob Frederick President BC Trappers Association	E-mail	Provides and overview of the project, requests input and offers to meet
02/2007	Chico Crossland Trapper	Phone	Follow-up to his letter. Suggests that MGELP contact BC Trapper Association
01/29/2007	Chico Crossland Trapper	Letter	Provides input regarding means through which to manage wildlife habitat
01/11-12/2007	Attendees at the Natural Resource Forum in Prince George, others who read the Prince George Free Press	Meeting Info Ad	To provide information on the project and contact information
01/11/2007	Kevin Hodgens Key Account Manager Terasen	Phone	To discuss gas supply to Mackenzie
01/11/2007	Mark Prestwich Transmission Manager BC Hydro	Phone	To discuss electricity supply to Mackenzie
01/09/2007	Vance Gerlib Distribution Manager BC Hydro	Phone	To discuss electricity supply to Mackenzie

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
01/08/2007	Chico Crossland Trapper	Phone	To discuss trapline
12/19/2006	District of Mackenzie residents, others who read the Mackenzie Times	Newspaper Info Ad	To provide information on the project and contact information
12/12/2006	District of Mackenzie residents, others who read the Mackenzie Times	Newspaper Info Ad	To provide information on the project and contact information
12/11/2006	Arshad Khan Camp Watters	Phone	Discussion re temporary accommodation in Mackenzie
12/11/2006	Wilma King Williston Lake Lodge	Phone	Discussion re temporary accommodation in Mackenzie
12/11/2006	Kathryn Guise Alexander Mackenzie Hotel/Timberline	Phone	Discussion re temporary accommodation in Mackenzie
12/05/2006	Lynda Moreland Royal LePage	Phone	To discuss housing in Mackenzie
11/21/2006	Lauretta Dixon Admitting Mackenzie and District Hospital	Phone	To discuss hospital service details
11/21/2006	Brian Caldwell RCMP Staff Sergeant	Phone	Discussion re police services and potential effect of MGEC
10/19-20/2006	Kevin Hodgins, Terasen Gas	Phone	Query regarding natural gas supply to the project
10/12/2006	Presentation to the Chamber of Commerce Monthly lunch meeting	Meeting	To provide an update on the project and to answer questions
10/2006	D&D Warner	E-mails	Follow-up re transportation opportunities, provide project update
09/06/2006	Invitees including District of Mackenzie, Pat Bell (MLA), Jay Hill (MP), CHMM Radio, McLeod Lake Indian Band, Pope and Talbot, Abitibi Consolidated, Canfor, Chamber of Commerce)	Meeting	To provide an update on the project
09/2006	JoAnne Niwranski Special Events Creators	E-mails	Regarding MGEC sponsorship of Pat Bell Golf Tournament
08/2006	D & D Warner	E-mails	Query regarding transportation opportunities, provide project update

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
08/03/2006	Gloria Goodwin Apollo Forest Products	E-mail	Invitation to provide project update to Fort St. James Council, Chamber of Commerce and industry
07/28/2006	David Livingstone President Lomak Bulk Carriers	E-mail	Offer to discuss transportation opportunities
03/14/2006	Vanessa Cornish College of New Caledonia	Meeting E-mail	Expressed interest in potential apprenticeship training for jobs at the Mackenzie Green Energy Center
3/14/2006	Chamber of Commerce members (40) including - Municipal Government - Elks Lodge - Local Businesses - Local Industry - Mackenzie Times Newspaper - RCMP	Meeting	Presentation to the Chamber of Commerce regarding the Mackenzie Green Energy Centre project, meeting with attendees and answering their questions
03/13/06	Residents attending the District Council Meeting	Meeting	To present an update on the Mackenzie Green Energy Centre Project
2006	Mark Robillard, President Chamber of Commerce	Phone	To discuss project, to identify groups in the area who may be interested in the project and to discuss potential effects
02-03/2006	Vince Lukas CEP	Meeting	To review union issues with respect to the project
02/02/2006	David Livingstone President Lomak Bulk Carriers	E-mail	Discussion re meeting and meeting logistics
01/12-13/2006	Attendees at the Natural Resource Forum in Prince George, others who read the Prince George Free Press	Meeting Info Ad	To provide information on the project and contact information
09/12/2005	Residents attending the District Council Meeting	Meeting	To make a presentation on the Mackenzie Green Energy Centre to Mayor and Council
2005-2007	Canfor	Various	To provide project information, discuss waste wood availability from Canfor mills, discuss potential business arrangements, technical discussions

Date	Contact	Method	Discussion/Purpose
2005-2007	Pope and Talbot	Various	To provide project information, discuss waste wood availability from Canfor mills, discuss potential business arrangements, technical discussions
2006	Lomak Trucking	Various	Trucking prices for waste wood to Mackenzie
2006	East Fraser Fibre	Various	To discuss wood waste
2006	Stuart Lake Lumber	Various	To discuss wood waste
2006	CFI	Various	To review loading out requirements at the saw mill
2006	Winton Global	Various	To review loading out requirements at the saw mill
2006	Stuart Lake Lumber	Meeting	To review loading out requirements at the saw mill
2005-2006	Abicon	Various	To review steam and pricing requirements, discuss waste wood supply

2.4.1.3 Issues/Questions

There were no concerns raised by the public or stakeholders regarding the MGEC during the project studies. No responses were received to the information ads placed in the Mackenzie Times and the EAO did not receive any public comments on the Draft Terms of Reference.

However, through the project studies there was interest in a number of areas as described below.

Issue	Response	Status
Employment	The project will create 28 new direct jobs in the community. MGELP will work to maximize local hire.	Ongoing. Addressed in the Application.
Training	Mackenzie Green Energy recognizes that there are organizations capable of providing training in the community and will discuss this further as the project proceeds.	Ongoing. Addressed in the Application.

Issue	Response	Status
Truck Traffic	MGELP recognizes that truck traffic can have an effect on communities and is working to minimize the number of trucks that will be traveling on the highway or on municipal roads.	Complete Addressed in the Application.
Local Hire	It is Mackenzie Green Energy LP's preference to hire locally where possible.	Ongoing. Addressed in the Application.
Economic Impact	Opportunities will be created for local businesses. MGELP will work to ensure that local businesses are aware of potential opportunities.	Ongoing. Addressed in the Application.
Project schedule and influx of workers	Information will be provided to the District and emergency service providers.	Ongoing. Addressed in the Application.
Skills requirements	MGEC will provide information to employment agency, education institutions once EPC contractor is hired and job requirements refined.	Ongoing. Addressed in the Application.
Need to leave some slash in the forests for animals	Concern noted. MGEC will not be harvesting to obtain fuel but will be buying wastewood from companies with licences to harvest.	Complete.
Reason for the involvement of some industry and not others	Piping distances determined which businesses would receive a benefit from utilizing steam from the MGEC.	Complete.

2.4.2 Planned Future Consultation Activities

Consultation with the public and stakeholder groups will be ongoing through project review and, should the project receive an Environmental Assessment Certificate, through construction and operation.

Should issues or concerns arise during future consultation phases, the same approach would be taken to addressing them as will be utilized for addressing issues raised by First Nations or government agencies. Specifically, discussions would be held to ensure that the issue is understood by both MGELP and the person raising the issue and potential means of addressing it would be discussed until a means through which to address it satisfactorily was arrived at.

2.4.2.1 Application Review

Activities undertaken during the Application review period could include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

- advertisement that the Application is available for review;
- open house in Mackenzie;
- advertising for the open house in the Mackenzie Times;
- ongoing opportunities for stakeholders to ask questions via e-mail, phone;
- information advertisement in the local paper regarding EPC contractor selection and potential employment and contracting opportunities;
- participation in EAO led activities; and
- press releases and advertisements regarding ongoing consultation activities or project updates.

Actual activities undertaken will be determined as the review proceeds and will focus on ensuring that interested parties have the information that they require to fully participate in the project review process.

2.4.2.2 Construction

Should the project be approved, a project office would be established on the site in Mackenzie. Consultation activities undertaken during construction could include the following:

- informing the community about the result of the regulatory review;
- providing ongoing opportunities for residents and stakeholder groups to ask questions and have their concerns addressed via e-mail, phone or in meetings;
- hosting a ground-breaking event;
- providing opportunities for site visits;
- working to maximize local participation in the project;
- providing project updates via presentations, information advertisements or other means.

Actual activities undertaken will be determined as construction proceeds and will focus on ensuring that interested parties have the information that they require.

2.4.2.3 Operation

Once the MGEC is operational, interested parties will be able to have their questions or comments addressed by the MGEC staff in Mackenzie.