

November 9, 2006

To: Distribution List, as of November 8, 2006  
(Copy attached)

**RE: Water Use Application QZ04-063, Ketz River Holdings,  
Cache Creek**

Ketz River Holdings Ltd. has submitted an application for a Type A licence for a quartz mining undertaking. The Yukon Water Board must provide an opportunity for a public hearing, and the date of the public hearing will be April 7, 2007. The hearing will be held in Whitehorse, but the location has not yet been determined.

Making Your Recommendations to the Board

Anyone wanting to make representations to the Board can intervene by filing a written submission at the Board office on or before twelve noon on the intent date, which is March 10, 2007. We cannot accept interventions by email.

The Board's Rules of Procedure set out the information that must be included in your intervention. The Rules are posted on our website, and paper copies can be provided if you contact our office.

In summary, your written submission must include a clear statement of your position, an indication of whether or not you intend to appear at the hearing, your name, address, telephone and, if possible, a fax number and email address, and it must be received no later than twelve noon on the intent date. If you are asking the Board to consider any written material, then you must provide a copy of that material. In addition, your intervention must include confirmation that you have provided a copy of all of the material to Ketz River Holdings. Their address is included in the attached distribution list.

In order to assist us in arranging the hearing room to accommodate everyone as comfortably as possible, we also ask that, in your intervention, you tell us the names (or at least the number) of the people who will be in your party. If you will require any audio visual aids, we will need to know that in advance as well.

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### Cancellation or Rescheduling of Hearing

If, by twelve noon on March 10, 2007, the Board has not received any notice that anyone wants to participate in the public hearing, then the Board may decide to cancel the hearing. This is not a requirement; the Board may decide to proceed regardless of whether other parties intend to appear. Also, after receiving interventions, the Board may determine that the hearing should be rescheduled to a different date. In either case, all parties will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

### Hearing Procedure

The information in this letter is intended to provide only a brief overview and, where the Board's Rules of Procedure are different, then the Rules of Procedure will prevail.

At the hearing, Ketz River Holdings will first be asked to summarize their application. Then each of the interveners will be given an opportunity to ask questions, after which the Board members and consultants may ask questions. Next, each intervener will, in turn be asked to present their interventions and respond to questions from all other parties. After that, Ketz River Holdings may respond to the interventions. Finally, each party will be given an opportunity to make closing statements.

### Information About the Application

A copy of the current exhibit list for this application is enclosed. Copies of all of the exhibits can be viewed at our website. Although we cannot accept electronic interventions as a substitute for paper originals, we do ask that you send us an electronic copy so that we can post your intervention on our website. Please send your email to [ywb@yukonwaterboard.ca](mailto:ywb@yukonwaterboard.ca), and indicate QZ04-063 in the subject line.

This application was submitted to the Board in October, 2004, prior to implementation of YESAA, and the environmental assessment was conducted, by Government of Yukon DAP branch, under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. Our office requested additional information from the applicant, and that process took some time. The applicant has now provided sufficient information to proceed to the next step. The applicant has confirmed that the initial proposed licence expiry date of October 2007 has not changed.

As soon as possible after March 10, 2007, the water use register will be updated, a new exhibit list will be compiled, and copies of all of the exhibits will be sent to all parties. At that time, the distribution list will be revised to include only the applicant, the interveners, and people who have specifically asked that they remain on the list.

If you do not want to be included in the distribution list for this application, or if there is a correction or addition that you would like to make to the list, please contact our office.

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## Contacting the Yukon Water Board

Although our office is eager to make your experience with the Yukon Water Board as efficient as possible, we are not able to accept exhibits (applications or interventions) in only electronic form. We require paper copies, and we must have them in hand by the deadlines that are or will be established.

To contact us otherwise, or to provide electronic copies of your correspondence, our email address is [ywb@yukonwaterboard.ca](mailto:ywb@yukonwaterboard.ca) - please indicate QZ04-063 in the subject line.

Please visit our website at <http://www.yukonwaterboard.ca>, or call our office if we can provide any further information or assistance.

Judi White, Manager  
Yukon Water Board

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