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Subject: RE: comments on the draft Public Hearing Procedures

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Good afternoon,

Thank you for the opportunity to review and provide comment towards the *draft* Public Hearing Procedures – Marathon Palladium Project. The Natural Resources and Forestry (NRF) section of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry have reviewed the draft Public Hearings Procedures and provide comments as follows:

1. Section 1 Introduction

In (b) or other more appropriate section in the Introduction, it may be helpful for the Panel to explain how this part of the process connects to the review of the EIS Addendum.

- Will those participants that provided information on the EIS Addendum need to provide this again to the Panel for it to be considered.
- Will the information gathered at the public hearing be added to the tech review of the EIS Addendum as the Panel carries out its work.

2. Section 4 Participating in the Public Hearing

In (c) additional clarity is needed related to coordination of comments. We assume that the intention is not for governments with a regulatory mandate be required or encouraged to consolidate comments with community groups and have a single person present?

3. Appendix A. Hearing Sessions

3. Topic Specific Hearing Sessions

For the second bullet in (b), further clarification is appreciated, ie is this where agencies provide information in addition to the technical comments already provided. Will any guidance be provided by the panel on subjects they wish to hear about or is it up to the Ministries/communities/public to decide if they want to register and provide a presentation.

Should you have any questions related to the above comments or require clarity, do not hesitate to contact myself.

Kindest regards,
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