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RE: Nechako Watershed Engagement Initiative Involvement

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The focus of Rio Tinto's Watershed Engagement Initiative (WEI) is to learn how Rio Tinto can improve their operations, based on input and guidance from Indigenous communities and Nechako watershed stakeholders.

The next phase of the WEI is now being undertaken to better understand issues and interests, and to develop meaningful, actionable steps to improve watershed operations. The scope of the WEI may include, but will not necessarily be limited to, spillway discharge schedules, ramping rates, downstream flow targets, water temperature targets, research and monitoring plans, and infrastructure improvements.

While a large focus of Rio Tinto operations in the watershed relate to reservoir management, the WEI effort will also look at ways to improve communication and information sharing, how Rio Tinto allocates donations and sponsorships, how research and monitoring programs are designed, and other ways you think Rio Tinto can improve their operations.

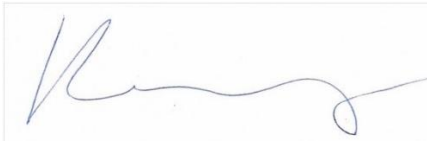
As communicated by Rio Tinto in their letter dated November 5, 2018, Jason Collier and I, from EDI Environmental Dynamics Inc. (EDI), will serve as the **Independent Facilitators** for the WEI process. As the facilitators, our role is to learn about and confirm your interests and issues as it relates to Rio Tinto operations, compile potential mechanisms to address those interests, and facilitate a process to develop actionable recommendations. This initiative will build on the extensive existing research and efforts undertaken by many people and groups across the watershed.

Jason and I would like to meet with you to introduce ourselves, discuss the initiative, and confirm the most effective way to work with you, your community, or stakeholder group to gather meaningful input. We are hoping to hold face-to-face meetings in the Nechako region during the week of Monday, November 26 through Friday, November 30.



I hope to connect with you by email or telephone in the next week or so to find a date and time that work for an introductory meeting. Please feel free to contact me at rray@edynamics.com or 1-250-590-0072. We look forward to working together.

Yours truly,



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