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Hubert Vallée
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SUBJECT: Initial Project Description for the Mont Sorcier mining Project

Dear Hubert Vallée,

On April 26th, 2023, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) received an Initial Project Description for the Mont Sorcier mining project (the Project) from Voyager Metals Inc. The Joint Assessment Committee, consisting of representatives of the Agency and the Cree Nation Government, determined that the Project meets the definition of a designated project under the *Impact Assessment Act* (the Act) and that the Initial Project Description meets the requirements of the *Information and Management of Time Limits Regulations*.

The Joint Assessment Committee will conduct a comment period to provide an opportunity for provincial and Indigenous jurisdictions, Indigenous groups, the public and federal authorities to identify the issues in relation to the proposed project that may be of relevance or concern to them. All submissions received during the comment period will be posted on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry internet page for the Project.

The Joint Assessment Committee will aim to provide you with a document that summarizes the issues raised, within 10 calendar days of the close of the public comment period. The Summary of Issues document will also be posted on the Registry. As part of the Detailed Project Description, you will be required to provide a response to each of the issues explaining how you intend to address them.

The Summary of Issues and your responses in the Detailed Project Description will be used to inform the Agency's decision on whether to require an impact assessment for the Project, along with consideration of the other factors outlined in subsection 16(2) of the Act. They will also inform development of the Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines should the Agency decide that an impact assessment is required.

For further information, please see the *Guide to Preparing an Initial Project Description and a Detailed Project Description* on the Agency's website at <https://www.canada.ca/en/impact-assessment-agency/services/policy-guidance/practitioners-guide-impact-assessment-act/guide-preparing-project-description-detailed-project-description.html>.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Caroline Chartier, Project Manager at the Agency, by e-mail caroline.chartier@iacc-aeic.gc.ca or by phone 418-563-2268.

Sincerely,

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