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## **VIA EMAIL:**

Ministry of Agriculture and Lands - Integrated Land Management Branch,

Smithers

Attention: Eamon O'Donoghue, Planning Manager and Ian Smythe, Section Head

Ministry of Environment, Environmental Stewardship Division, Smithers

Attention: Karen Diemert, Ecosystems Specialist

Northern Interior Health Authority, Smithers

Attention: Marcy Iwanyk, Public Health Inspector

Ministry of Forests and Range, Skeena Stikine District Office, Smithers

Attention: Bob (Robert D.) Mitchell, Stewardship Officer

Ministry of Transportation, Bulkley/Stikine District, Smithers

Attention: Sherrie Applegate, Senior Development Approvals Technician

Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mining and Exploration,

**Smithers** 

Attention: Doug Flynn, Regional Manager

Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Pacific Region, Smithers

Attention: Tom Pendray, Biologist

**Environmental Assessment Office, Victoria** 

Attention: Bob Hart, Project Assessment Manager - Blue Pearl Mine Project

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako, Burns Lake Attention:Crissie Isabel, Planner, Burns Lake

Town of Smithers, Smithers
Attention-Wallace Mah, Chief Administrative Officer and Deborah Sargent

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Village of Telkwa, Telkwa

Attention: Ron Bowles, Chief Administrative Officer

Smithers Community Forest Board, Smithers Attention: Robert D. Mitchell

Bulkley Valley Community Resources Board, Smithers Attention: Adrian deGroot, Chair



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**Dear Sirs and Mesdames:** 

## Re: Draft Master Plan Amendment Review for Ski and Ride Smithers

Enclosed is a copy of the draft Master Plan Amendment to further develop Ski and Ride Smithers at Hudson Bay Mountain. The proposal has been submitted to us by Hudson Bay Mountain Adventures, Inc. The Ministry of Tourism, Sport and the Arts (MTSA) will be leading the provincial review of this project and would appreciate your agency's assistance during our review.

I would like to form a Technical Review Team (TRT) for the project and I am inviting your office to designate an individual who can assist in our review with respect to your agency's mandate. I anticipate that it will require one or two meetings at the most in addition to the time required to review the draft Master Plan. If your agency would like to participate in this review, please e-mail me the name and contact information of your representative for the Technical Review Team by September 15, 2006. My address is <a href="mailto:Terry.Pratt@gov.bc.ca">Terry.Pratt@gov.bc.ca</a>.

There will be an introductory meeting of the Technical Review Team where the proponent will provide a short presentation of the project to the review team and be available to answer questions and hear comments.

Date: Thursday, September 21, 2006

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Caribou Room, Ministry of Environment, 3726 Alfred Avenue, Smithers.

Also, for your information, the proponent in conjunction with our office will be hosting an Open House regarding the proposed Master Plan Amendment on Friday, September 22, 2006 from 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. at the Hudson Bay Lodge in Smithers. A question and answer session will be held at 7 p.m.

I appreciate your agency's participation to date in the various review processes for Ski and Ride Smithers and look forward to continuing to work with you on this expansion proposal. I can be reached at (250) 377- 2386 if you have any questions or require more information.

Yours truly,

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**Terry Pratt** 

Manager, Major Projects Resort Development Branch