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TOWN OF PEACE RIVER

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Giant Yellowknife Mines Limited
Yellowknife, Northwest Territories
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Dear Sirs:

Council of the Town of Peace River has recently learned that shipment of dangerous goods, in this case specifically Arsenic Trioxide Dust from the Giant Yellowknife Mill, are passing through the area on their way south and it is quite possible, depending on the route taken, that these shipments could be passing directly through the Town of Peace River. This has caused some concern to Council due to the lack of information regarding the routes taken and the types of materials that could be transported through the town.

The most common route for transportation from the north to the south has been through the Town of Peace River as this is one of the very few places that the river may be crossed. Both the railway and Highway No. 2 which carries traffic from the MacKenzie Highway cross the river on parallel bridges and then proceed through the Town very close to the central business district. In the event of an accident involving explosive or toxic materials it could be a disaster.

The Town of Peace River Fire Department is equipped with hydraulic vehicle extrication equipment and has trained emergency rescue teams and does respond to emergency calls involving vehicle fires or accidents on the highway outside of the town limits. Council's concern is not only for the safety of the citizens of the Town of Peace River but also for the safety of the men who answer these emergency calls in the performance of their duties. It would assist the men greatly should they be called out to rescue a person trapped in a truck cab or to fight a vehicle fire if they knew what type of material was being transported so that the necessary precautions could be taken and they would not be walking into a situation blind.

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In the absence of legislation at the present time, Council would respectfully request the full co-operation of Giant Yellowknife Mines Limited and the transport company involved in keeping the Town of Peace River and the Peace River Fire Department fully informed of the types of materials being transported, the routes taken and if possible the schedules. Council would appreciate your reply commenting on their concerns and request for information.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G.G. Paul".

G.G. Paul
Secretary-Treasurer

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