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Yukon Utilities Board
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Attention: Wendy Shanks, Acting Chair

**Re: YUB Letter to Minister dated March 19, 2007 – Carmacks-Stewart
Transmission Line**

Dear Ms. Shanks:

The Utilities Consumers' Group received the Board's letter dated March 19, 2007 advising the Minister of Justice that, unless otherwise directed, the YUB would continue to process Yukon Energy's power purchase agreement application.

The UCG would like clarification of the Board's request to the Minister given the issuing of OICs 2007/50 and 2007/51 last week by the Yukon government (see attached).

OIC 2007/50 is a regulation outlining what is required in an application for an Energy Project Certificate and an Energy Operation Certificate under Part 3 of the *Public Utilities Act*. OIC 2007/51 designates all phases of the proposed Carmacks-Stewart transmission line as a regulated project.

Given these OICs (both dated March 16, 2007), the UCG requests the Board suspend its consideration of the proposed power purchase agreement while Yukon Energy prepares and submits applications for these two certificates.

The Board must not be pressured by the April 30, 2007 date submitted by Yukon Energy as the required date for approval of the proposed power purchase agreement. Projects of this magnitude in the Yukon must undergo extensive and time-consuming review prior to any well-informed decisions are to be made in the public interest.

An expedited response is requested.

Yours truly,

Roger Rondeau
President UCG