

Environmental Assessment of the Proposed Mount Klappan Coal Project Terms of Reference Open for Comment

The B.C. Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) invites the public to comment on the draft Terms of Reference (TOR) for the proposed Mount Klappan Coal Project (Project) Application.

Fortune Coal Limited (Fortune) is proposing to construct and operate an open pit coal mine northeast of Bob Quinn Lake, B.C. The Project would produce 1.5 million tonnes of coal per year.

The Project is subject to review under British Columbia's *Environmental Assessment Act*, S.B.C. 2002, c.43 and may be subject to review under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*. The purpose of the draft TOR is to identify the information that must be included in Fortune's application for an environmental assessment certificate.

The public comment period will begin on **November 27, 2006** and end on **January 8, 2007**. Form letters, petitions or other submissions that only state a position for or against a given project cannot generally be considered. Written comments received by midnight on **January 8, 2007** will be considered. After taking public comments into consideration, EAO will finalize the TOR and issue them to Fortune. Please send your comments to:

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Comments by e-mail are encouraged and may be directed to eaoinfo@gov.bc.ca

An electronic copy of the draft TOR, and information regarding the environmental assessment process are available at www.eao.gov.bc.ca

NOTE: All submissions received by the EAO regarding this Project are considered public and will be posted to the EAO website in their original form. If you do not want to have your address, email address and/or telephone number posted to the EAO website, please indicate this with your comments.

