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The Proposed Mackenzie Highway Project – Barrie Robb, Vice-President, Mackenzie Aboriginal Corporation

Panel #1—Territorial and Aboriginal Financing - up to 250K —The global recession and changes to financing Presentations by: ITI , WABDS, MDDF – Jake A. Heron, Chairman

- Workshop#1: How to effectively access programs and services
Workshop#2: Communications in business & Business Plans
Workshop#3: Performance Bonds, Bid Bonds & Insurance

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OSME presentation – How to find and secure contracts – Federal & Territorial Governments

Panel #2- Federal and Territorial Financing over 250K Presentations from: BDIC – Chris Taylor, Manager, BDC - TBD, ABC - TBD—Large Scale Financing

- Workshop#1 Types of financing and sample proposal writing
Workshop#2 Legal basics in financing: promissory note, loan guarantees
Workshop#3 Know your financial position
Workshop#4 Diversification – a key to survival



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Panel #3—Success through Joint Ventures & Future Opportunities

Presentations from GDC Business Subsidiaries—Bob's Welding – TBD, Gwich'in Helicopters – Adam Bembridge, Northern Properties – TBD, Vuntut Gwich'in Dev. Corp. – Ron Daub

Workshop#1	Joint Ventures—benefits/risks
Workshop#2	Showcase successful private sector business
Workshop#3	Improving your business
Workshop#4	Aboriginal Business Ventures as case studies

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Panel #4 - Oil, Gas & Construction Industries—The economic climate for the North

Presentations from: Husky Energy- TBD, Northern Cross– TBD, Imperial Oil Ltd. – TBD, Dowlands – Patrick

Workshop#1	Health, Safety, Environment
Workshop#2	Future Collaborative Opportunities in the Mackenzie Delta
Workshop#3	Quality Assurance, Quality Control (QAQC)
Workshop#4	Overall requirements for business to participate in procurement

GALA DINNER – GUEST SPEAKER – TO BE ANNOUNCED 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.



Registered Gwich'in Businesses Only Session

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER – MATTHEW COON COME, GRAND CHIEF, GRAND COUNCIL OF THE CREES

Mr. Matthew Coon Come serves as a Special Advisor to Board of SkyPower Corporation. Mr. Come serves as National Chief of the Crees in Quebec and served as its Grand Chief. Mr. Come serves as an advisor to the Grand Council of the Crees (Eeyou Istchee) and is a national and international indigenous leader and advocate for the aboriginal, treaty and other human rights of indigenous peoples in Canada and internationally. Mr. Come served as National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations from 2000 to 2003. He served at James Bay Cree People through four successive terms as Grand Chief. At the start of his political career, Mr. Come served two terms as Chief of the Mistissini First Nation. He served as Chairman of Cree Housing Corporation, responsible for implementing the housing and infrastructure program and as Chairman of the Cree Regional Authority in 1987. He served as Chairman of the James Bay Eeyou Corporation and as Chairman of James Bay Native Development Corporation. He has been a Director of Labrador Iron Mines Holdings Limited since August 2007. He served as founding director of the First Nations Bank of Canada since 1995. He served as an Executive Director of the Grand Council of the Crees (Eeyou Istchee). Mr. Come was awarded the Goldman prize, the "Nobel Prize of Environmental Awards" (1994). Mr. Come received the Equinox Environmental Award and the Conde Naste Environmental Award. Mr. Come received the National Aboriginal Achievement Award in 1995. Mr. Come received a "Doctor of Laws Honoris Causa" degree from Trent University in 1998 and a honorary Doctor of Laws from the University of Toronto in 2000. Mr. Come studied Political Science, Economics, Native Studies and courses in law at Trent and McGill Universities and undertaken theological studies in the United States.

Panel #5 – Gwich'in Programs and Services – Make it work for you

Presentations from: Health & Wellness– Matilda Debastien, Director of Health & Wellness, Business - TBD, Land & Resources – Mardy Semmler – Director of Land and Resources

Panel #6 - Success through your workforce – Building Your Human Resource Potential

Presentations from: Gwich'in Tribal Council, ASETS – Director – Robert Charlie, ECE - TBD, Aurora College – Doug Robertson, ITI – Self-Employment

Workshop#1	The Internet – presenting a new way of doing business
Workshop#2	Alcohol and Drug Issues in the workplace
Workshop#3	Hiring Tips - Get your best employee and keep them
Workshop#4	The younger generation – understanding the younger generation in the workplace

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Gwichin Development Corporation – Roundtable – The future of the Development Corporation Update: Current Development Corporation Activities & Discussion: Role/Future Opportunities

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