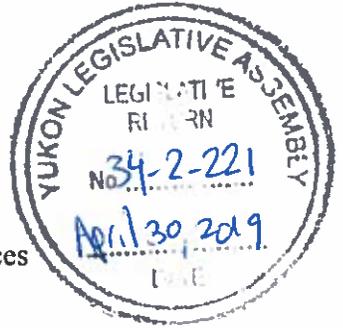


LEGISLATIVE RETURN



SUBMITTED BY: Hon. Ranj Pillai, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources

1. On \_\_\_\_\_, Liz Hanson, Member for Whitehorse Centre

asked the following question during the Oral Question Period at page(s) \_\_\_\_\_ of Hansard

submitted the following written question – WQ No. \_\_\_\_\_

gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. \_\_\_\_\_

RE: \_\_\_\_\_

OR

2. This legislative return relates to a matter outstanding from discussion related to:

Debate on Vote 53, Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, in Bill No. 210

on April 16, 2019 at page(s) 4467-4468 of Hansard.

The response is as follows:

On April 16, 2019 during debate on Vote 53, Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, in Bill No. 210 entitled First Appropriation Act 2019-20, the Member for Whitehorse Centre requested information regarding the management of Type II mine sites in Yukon.

Historical costs for abandoned Type II mines in Yukon are estimated at approximately \$336 million since Devolution in 2003, with the majority of these costs allocated to the Faro Mine site. The financial responsibility for Yukon's abandoned Type II sites resides with the federal government. It provides 100 per cent of the funding for site care and maintenance operations, as well as for the development and implementation of long-term remediation plans.

For 2019/20, the Department of Energy Mines and Resources' budget has approximately nine million dollars for anticipated Type II mine site workplans. Projected remediation costs for Type II sites are highly dependent on site characteristics and the remediation option selected through ongoing consultation with Affected Yukon First Nations and stakeholders. Cost estimates for both Clinton Creek and Ketza River Mine sites will be developed as remedial design and option selection advances.

Remediation of the Faro Mine site will be undertaken by the Government of Canada. The Keno and Mount Nansen mine sites will be remediated by private industry through separate sale arrangements led by the Government of Canada. Therefore, the Government of Yukon is unable to speak to current remediation cost estimates for these sites.

Date April 30/2019

Signature Ranj Pillai