



March 25, 2008

Mayor Chris Morey  
Town of Fort Nelson

Dear Mayor Morey & Council:

**Re: Community Futures Peace Liard Contribution \$10,000.00 to Explore  
Economic Diversification for Town of Fort Nelson & Regional District**

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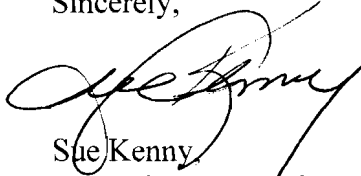
Community Futures Peace Liard Board of Directors applauds the Town of Fort Nelson for their proactive approach to the pending CANFOR closures. We wish to assist in your community's efforts in developing a strategic plan to explore the economic opportunities in your community with the contribution of 10,000.00.

With the downsizing and uncertainties of CANFOR's activities the town has developed the Fort Nelson Round Table for the Future of the Forest Industry in Fort Nelson. In the Purpose and Objectives in the condensed terms of reference this roundtable has identified:

- Adjustments to Tenure frameworks
- Targeted decrease in the dependence on wood commodity sales to the US market
- Maximizing value from the whole forest
- Review of local MOF practices
- Creative solutions to wood waste
- Alternative Energy and Climate Change initiatives
- To identify measurable and common goals that together, stakeholders can achieve to ensure a healthy forest economy in Fort Nelson.
- To provide a united front on common goals where action from higher levels of government is needed to achieve common goals.
- To promote cooperative efforts between stakeholders, in the long term interest of the broader local forest industry.

We wish you success in identifying solutions to ease the dependency of CANFOR and the US market. We are certain that with the existing rich resources still out there with the forests and the oil & gas industry that the time is right to plan and expand private business enterprise that will benefit from the value added opportunities that are there for the taking. Community Futures wishes to offer any support we can provide to assist you in achieving success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sue Kenny', written in a cursive style.

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