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Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
Box 938, 5102-50th Avenue
Yellowknife, NT
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Attention: Mr. Joe Acorn, Environmental Assessment Officer

Dear Mr. Acorn:

**Re: Analysis of DeBeers IR Responses in Preparation for Pre-hearing
Conference, DeBeers Snap Lake Diamond Mine EA**

Further to a phone conversation with Mr. Louie Azzolini (September 26, 2002), this letter provides a written request for approval of additional budget related to the upcoming workshop for the above noted project work.

In Gartner Lee's September 16th, 2002 work plan addressed to Mr. Azzolini we proposed a one-day workshop for the IR/response analysis work. However, following a team conference call in preparation for this work, it was realized that an extra half day would benefit the workshop. The change in scope would involve an extra half day of fees for each workshop participant and additional costs for accommodation/meal disbursements. Mr. Azzolini verbally approved this change in scope during our September 26th phone call and asked that we provide the request in writing with a cost estimate.

The cost estimate for adding an extra half day to the workshop is estimated to be \$6,912 (excluding GST), broken down as follows:

Fees	\$5,312
Disbursements	\$1,660
Total	\$6,972

As mentioned previously, it is possible that we may be able to absorb some of these extra costs into the original budget and will try our best to do so.

During our call, Mr. Azzolini also verbally agreed to change the deadline for our letter report/draft technical session agenda to October 18th, as we could not get the entire team to the workshop until the 15th and 16th of October.

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We look forward to seeing you at the workshop. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to call me at (403) 262-4299, ext. 121.

Yours truly,
GARTNER LEE LIMITED

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Glenda Fratton".

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cc. Louie Azzolini, MVEIRB, Environmental Assessment Officer