

Our File: EA1314-01

October 6, 2015

## Notice of Proceeding

To: Parties

Re: EA1314-01 - Jay Project, instructions for closing submissions

This notice of procedure describes the purpose, expectations and due dates for closing submissions from parties (including the developer). Closing submissions describe the parties' conclusions on **whether the Jay Project is likely to cause significant adverse impacts** on the environment and people.

When preparing your closing submission:

- **Summarize your conclusions** on impact significance **and the reasons** that support your conclusions. This is a final opportunity for you to tell the Review Board your views on the acceptability of any impacts you predict. You may also provide your conclusions about any other party's impact predictions or arguments.
- Please ensure that your closing submission is **based on the evidence** that is already on the
  written record and from the hearings. Your conclusions (above) should be based on technical
  and traditional knowledge evidence has been compiled since the beginning of the
  environmental assessment.
- You may respond to new arguments you heard during the hearing, and to hearing undertakings from other parties, which you did not have the chance to consider when writing your technical reports.
- It is helpful if you cite the public registry number of each document you refer to.
- Although new *arguments* about the evidence may be included, **you must not introduce new** *evidence* in your closing submission. If you did so this late in the EA process, other parties would not have the fair chance to respond.
- If your submission is more than three pages, please include a one-page plain language summary.

## Due dates

October 23 – closing submissions from parties  $\,$ 

October 30 - closing submission from Dominion Diamond

October 30 - closure of the public record

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