

May 29, 2012

## Note to File

EIR0607-001

Gahcho Kué Diamond Project, De Beers Canada

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To Parties:

### **Re: Undertakings and commitments from May 22-25 technical meeting**

Technical meetings for the Gahcho Kué Project were held in Yellowknife from May 22-25. The following list of undertakings and commitments is taken from discussions between parties at the technical meeting during the afternoon of May 25 and from the transcripts.

The Panel requests that De Beers Canada, Akaitcho IMA Implementation Office and Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada respond to these undertakings by June 8, 2012.

### **Undertakings**

1. DeBeers to provide a summary list (approximately 5 pages) of all predicted changes to Kennady Lake related to the project, from baseline.
2. DeBeers to get back to Kathy Racher of MVLWB on information on physical properties of Fine PK ie, gravity, size, settle-ability, from each pit.
3. Akaitcho IMA to produce for the panel a Water Survey of Canada map outlining the community's preferred reference monitoring sites between east arm and the project, regarding the north/south-oriented watershed; also to provide rationale for sites.
4. AANDC to respond to the Panel regarding CIMP's attendance to the WEMP working group.



5. DeBeers will provide information on how TK informed the Design of Snap Lake Mine

## **Commitments**

1. DeBeers to work with Transport Canada to discuss some of the navigable waters issues related to Kennady Lake.
2. For DeBeers to provide alternative analysis document for Mid June 2012.
3. DeBeers will consult with EC and GNWT on incineration plan.
4. (Removed: This commitment is regarding reference lakes. The task is already underway and is therefore not a commitment, see transcripts May 25 pp218-219)
5. DeBeers will develop interim closure-water quality objectives and sediment quality objectives relating to sediments by end September, 2012 (end of IR round 2). Willing to speak with EC during the development of these objectives.
6. As stated in EIS, reconfirming that DeBeers fully intends to re-connect Kennady Lake to surrounding watershed after closure of the mine site.
7. DeBeers to outline its preliminary training and apprenticeship positions and will provide a preliminary list of jobs and job categories, for life of mine by project phase, before technical reports submission.
8. DeBeers to provide a conceptual downstream flow mitigation plan.
9. DeBeers to meet with Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation to review monitoring locations and discuss potential new monitoring locations as part of the AEMP development process.



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10. DeBeers is committed to using a collaborative approach – with communities and regulators – in developing the Wildlife Effects Monitoring Plan (WEMP).
11. DeBeers to commit to forming a working group – with communities and regulators – to develop a management framework for the WEMP, and hosting a workshop – mid to late September.
12. DeBeers to provide more detail on the WEMP prior to the workshop mentioned in previous commitment.
13. Regarding the Adaptive Management Advisory Committee proposal, DeBeers reiterates its existing commitment to develop monitoring programs that are effective, collaborative, and innovative, that will evolve over time. As part of this commitment DeBeers will be developing a Terms of Reference with input from participants to September 2012 workshop.
14. DeBeers is committed to providing ongoing capacity and resources to develop a TK monitoring program for life of mine