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Dear Mr. Hubert:

## Gahcho Kué Project - Wildlife Monitoring Plan Workshop September 18, 2012

De Beers would like to invite three representatives from your organization to a one-day workshop to discuss the development of the Wildlife Monitoring Plan for the Gahcho Kué Project.

At the technical sessions in May 2012, De Beers committed to hold a workshop to get input from interested parties on the proposed approach for wildlife monitoring. A focused working group, composed of a delegate from each organization registered in the EIR process, has been providing input to De Beers over the last month on approaches for wildlife monitoring. The next step in the development of the Wildlife Monitoring Plan is to present an update on the various wildlife monitoring approaches and obtain additional feedback from a broader audience through the workshop event. A draft Wildlife Monitoring Plan will then be submitted to the Panel towards the end of September. The workshop is also an opportunity to discuss how Traditional Knowledge (TK) is considered, where additional TK can be incorporated and used to compliment or supplement the monitoring plans.

The Wildlife Monitoring Plan workshop is scheduled for **September 18, 2012** at the **Explorer Hotel** in Yellowknife. A detailed agenda will follow later this week. In selecting your three representatives for the workshop please keep in mind that it would be helpful to include your organization's working group delegate for continuity. In the event your organization would like to send additional participants to the workshop, or if you have any other questions, please contact me.

De Beers looks forward to your participation in this event.

Yours truly,

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