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EIR0607-001 Distribution List

Dear Parties:

Re: Judicial Review of Gahcho Kue EIR Decision

On July 28, 2006 DeBeers Canada Inc applied to the Supreme Court of the Northwest Territories for a judicial review of the MVEIRB's order to conduct an environmental impact review of the proposed Gahcho Kue diamond mine project. The application is attached to this letter.

Please note that the Review Board's work plan for the environmental assessment (EA0506-008) as well as its report of environmental assessment are part of the application but are not included here in their entirety. If you require copies of these documents, please refer to the online public registry at www.mveirb.nt.ca or contact our office.

The Review Board is currently exploring its options to respond to the judicial review. The schedule for the environmental impact review will likely be affected by the judicial review proceedings.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 766-7053 or mhaefe@veirb.nt.ca.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Martin Haefe".

Martin Haefe
Environmental Assessment Officer