

August 30, 2019

Our File: EA1819-01

## Note to File

### **Re: Review Board retention of former Board member Joe Handley as special advisor for the Diavik EA - Processed Kimberlite in Pits and Underground**

The Review Board has retained former Board member, Joe Handley, as a special advisor to the Board for the Diavik Environmental Assessment (EA).

Mr. Handley's term as a Board member expired on June 2, 2019. Up to that time, Joe had reviewed the documents on the public record and participated in the Board's other decisions (for example: to order this EA, and to set and clarify its scope). Mr. Handley has been an important part of this EA process so far and the Board would benefit from his presence for the remainder of the EA.

As a special advisor, Mr. Handley will provide advice to the Board. He will not act as a Board member and will not participate in any Board decisions. At the public hearings he may participate in a manner similar to other advisors or Board staff by observing the hearings and, at the chairperson's discretion, asking questions of the developer or interveners.