



OCT 06 2014

Chief Ernest Betsina  
Yellowknives Dene First Nation  
PO Box 2514  
YELLOWKNIFE, NT X1A 2P8

Dear Chief Betsina:

**Confirmation of No Received Advice on the Report of Environmental Assessment and Reasons for Decision for the Proposed Amendment to Snap Lake Diamond Mine Water Licence MV2011L2-0004 (File: EA1314-02)**

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The Project Assessment Branch confirms it has not received any correspondence from the YKDFN in relation to this invitation.

It is important to note, to date, no ministerial decisions have been made regarding the REA, and this letter should not be taken to indicate that Responsible Ministers favour any particular decision path. The Project Assessment Branch will keep the YKDFN informed of any potential further opportunities for consultation with respect to ministerial decisions regarding the REA.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ms. Charlotte Henry, Project Assessment Analyst, by telephone at (867) 765-6785, by email at [charlotte\\_henry@gov.nt.ca](mailto:charlotte_henry@gov.nt.ca), or by new facsimile number at (867) 669-0144.

Sincerely,

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Grand Chief Eddie Erasmus  
Tłıchq Government  
Box 412  
Behchokò, NT X0E 0Y0

Dear Grand Chief Erasmus:

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The Project Assessment Branch confirms it has not received any correspondence from the Tłıchq Government in relation to this invitation.

It is important to note, to date, no ministerial decisions have been made regarding the REA, and this letter should not be taken to indicate that Responsible Ministers favour any particular decision path. The Project Assessment Branch will keep the Tłıchq Government informed of any potential further opportunities for consultation with respect to ministerial decisions regarding the REA.

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Chief Felix Lockhart  
Łutsel K'e Dene First Nation  
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The Project Assessment Branch confirms it has received LKDFN correspondence, dated September 22, 2014, in relation to this invitation.

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Chief Edward Sangris  
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The Project Assessment Branch confirms it has not received any correspondence from the YKDFN in relation to this invitation.

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OCT 06 2014

Garry Bailey  
President  
Northwest Territory Métis Nation  
Box 720  
FORT SMITH, NT, X0E 0P0

Dear President Bailey:

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The Project Assessment Branch confirms it has not received any correspondence from the NWTMN in relation to this invitation.

It is important to note, to date, no ministerial decisions have been made regarding the REA, and this letter should not be taken to indicate that Responsible Ministers favour any particular decision path. The Project Assessment Branch will keep the NWTMN informed of any potential further opportunities for consultation with respect to ministerial decisions regarding the REA.

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Chief Louis Balsillie  
Deninu Kue First Nation  
BOX 1899  
FORT RESOLUTION NT X0E 0M0

Dear Chief Balsillie:

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and Reasons for Decision for the Proposed Amendment to Snap Lake Diamond  
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The Project Assessment Branch confirms it has received DKFN correspondence, dated September 22, 2014, in relation to this invitation.

It is important to note, to date, no ministerial decisions have been made regarding the REA, and this letter should not be taken to indicate that Responsible Ministers favour any particular decision path. The Project Assessment Branch will keep DKFN informed of any potential further opportunities for consultation with respect to ministerial decisions regarding the REA.

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Bill Enge,  
President, North Slave Métis Alliance  
32 Melville Drive  
Box 2301  
YELLOWKNIFE, NT X1A 2P7

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Dear President Enge:

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The Project Assessment Branch confirms it has not received any correspondence from the NSMA in relation to this invitation.

It is important to note, to date, no ministerial decisions have been made regarding the REA, and this letter should not be taken to indicate that Responsible Ministers favour any particular decision path. The Project Assessment Branch will keep the NSMA informed of any potential further opportunities for consultation with respect to ministerial decisions regarding the REA.

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