

Expressions of Interest

Seeking candidates for an environmental impact review panel.

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is seeking candidates for the environmental impact review (EIR) panel of DeBeers' proposed Gahcho Kué diamond mine.

Successful candidates are responsible for the following while serving as an EIR panel member:

- Acquiring a detailed understanding of the development being reviewed *and* a detailed understanding of public concerns about potential environmental impacts
- Reading, reviewing and analyzing written, oral and graphical information
- Participating in public discussions and public hearings
- Writing and submitting a report to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development

EIR panel members may be required to travel to communities for public meetings and technical hearings. The Review Board expects every panel member to conduct the EIR in a professional, collaborative and timely manner. Panel members are responsible for ensuring EIR proceedings are fair, transparent and unbiased.

Qualifications

Candidates must:

- Have no conflict of interest or bias regarding DeBeers' Gahcho Kué Project
- Be willing to submit to a security screening
- Read and write English competently
- Be knowledgeable about NWT aboriginal peoples
- Possess expertise that would assist in the review of the Gahcho Kué Project

Aboriginal language skills, and an understanding of N.W.T. traditional knowledge practices and applications are an asset.

Location

The EIR panel will operate from the Review Board's Yellowknife office.

Term Length

The Review Board expects successful candidates to serve the panel during the entire EIR. The Review Board is determining the duration of the EIR in a forthcoming workplan. Currently, the Review Board is estimating that panel members may spend two to four days per month on the review over the next two years.

Remuneration

The Review Board pays EIR panel members an honorarium only for those days dedicated to attending the business of the EIR panel. The Review Board bases its honorarium rate on Treasury Board guidelines.

Please submit a cover letter, resume and references

no later than July 28, 2006 to:

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