## Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

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## RE: Notice of Referral to Environmental Assessment - Snap Lake Diamond Project

Pursuant to Section 126(5) of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA), you are hereby notified that the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) intends to undertake an environmental assessment of your proposed development. The development proposal was referred to the Review Board for environmental assessment by the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB) as per Section 125(1) of the MVRMA.

The Review Board will determine the scope of the development, as per s.117(1), for the purposes of conducting the environmental assessment and will consider the factors listed in s.117(2). To complete these required tasks as expeditiously as possible, we will be contacting you as required and placing all pertinent information on the Review Board's public registry.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call Joe Acorn, Environmental Assessment Officer, at 873-9193.

Sincerely,

Vern Christensen, Executive Director

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