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Lisa:

Here are Gartner Lee's comments for Days 9 and 10. Sorry for the delay.

Glenda

<<GLL compiled comments part 2.doc>>

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Comments on Snap Lake Technical Sessions

Day 9: Socio-economic

a) Page 1, MVEIRB Concern:

For the MVEIRB concern "Are you going to address the hard issues..." the conclusion was "Likely Resolved – stated not to be an issue"

Comment:

In Gartner Lee's opinion (on behalf of the MVEIRB), it is believed that the issue is "Not Resolved"

b) Page 12, MVEIRB Concern:

For the MVEIRB concern starting with "The Human Resources Development (HRD) plan presented is impressive." - the conclusion at the bottom of the table states that the concern is "Questionably Resolved???"

Comment:

In Gartner Lee's opinion (on behalf of the MVEIRB), it is believed that the issue is "Not Resolved"

Day 10: Socio-economic and Cultural

a) Page 1, under De Beers Response, states:

"The information included in the referred document represents the best projection that could be made at any point in time and was also based on information inherited from the previous company. The implication is that the mine is designed for a production rate of 3000 and we need to first demonstrate that we can mine at that rate. The entire operations of the mine are designed presently for the 3000 capacity."

Comment:

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b) Page 3 and 4, GNWT Concern:

For the concern starting with "We place a high priority on sustaining aboriginal languages..." – the conclusion at the bottom of the table is "Questionably Resolved???"

Comment:

In Gartner Lee's opinion (on behalf of the MVEIRB), it is believed that the issue is "Not Resolved" - Many of the mitigation commitments remain to be negotiated/ completed and the timing of these measures is post project.

c) Page 9, NSMA Concern:

For the concern starting with "Considering mine design in looking at cumulative effects, did De Beers..." - the conclusion at the bottom of the table is "Questionably Resolved???"

Comment:

In Gartner Lee's opinion (on behalf of the MVEIRB), it is believed that the issue is "Not Resolved"

d) Page 12, MVEIRB Concern:

For the concern starting with: "In reviewing chapter 12 of the EA, most of the mitigation measures were those for which De Beers has control..." – the conclusion at the bottom of the table is "Questionably Resolved???"

Comment:

In Gartner Lee's opinion (on behalf of the MVEIRB), it is believed that the issue is "Not Resolved"