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BY EMAIL

RE: Participation and status of federal departments in the Dominion Diamond Ekati Corporation (Jay Project) Environmental Assessment ("EA") EA – 1314-01

With this letter, the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency's ("CanNor") Northern Projects Management Office ("NPMO"), as the coordinating agency for federal participation in the above noted EA, is pleased to provide a summary of federal departments' participation and status in the EA.

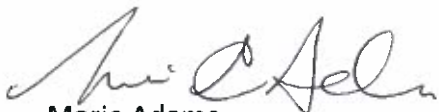
Federal departments have received the Developer's Assessment Report ("DAR") and will be reviewing project details over the next few weeks. At this initial stage, federal departments have identified below, their expected involvement in the context of their respective mandates and responsibilities related to the project, including Aboriginal consultation responsibilities. NPMO will update this summary report should the status of any of these departments be changed as a result of project-specific changes or for any other reason.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is registered as a party to the EA,• will be a Responsible Minister under the <i>Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act (MVRMA)</i>,• will provide specialist advice and will be involved in EA processes
Transport Canada (TC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is registered as a party to the EA,• Will be a Responsible Minister under the <i>Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act (MVRMA)</i>,• Will provide specialist advice and will be involved in EA processes
Environment Canada (EC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is registered as a party to the EA,• will provide specialist advice and will be involved in the EA process

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the consolidated federal decision maker under the MVRMA, AANDC will be making the section 130 decision on behalf of federal Responsible Ministers.
Northern Projects Management Office (NPMO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will coordinate the input of federal departments to the EA process and on related documents. • Is responsible for tracking Aboriginal consultation issues related to federal mandated responsibilities and will be closely monitoring EA process in this context.

Please contact Marie Adams (marie.adams@cannor.gc.ca) if you have any questions regarding the above summary.

Sincerely,



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