

Our File: EA1819-01

February 26, 2019

To: Distribution List

Deposit of Processed Kimberlite in Pits and Underground, Diavik Diamond Mines Inc.

Re: Notice of referral to environmental assessment

Please be advised that on February 19, 2019, the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (the Review Board) decided on its own motion, pursuant to subsection 126 (3) of the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act, to conduct an environmental assessment on Diavik Diamond Mines Inc.'s proposal to deposit processed kimberlite into the pits and underground.

The Review Board has created a public registry for this file (EA1819-01), where all information will be held: www.reviewboard.ca/registry. For automatic updates on documents posted to the registry, please go to the project homepage and subscribe to the project.

The following documents are currently available on the Review Board's public registry for this EA:

- The Review Board's Reasons for Decision on the EA referral
- A joint letter from the Review Board and the Wek'èezhì Land and Water Board
- A draft Scoping Document and Workplan

The Review Board will place electronic copies of evidence from the Wek'èezhì Land and Water Board's public registry for the concurrent water licence amendment process for W2015L2-0001. In the interest of an efficient process, the Review Board encourages interested parties to review the documents.

If you are interested in attending an in-person scoping meeting in Yellowknife during the week of March 12th, please advise Review Board staff as soon as possible.



Participant funding will be available through the *Northern Participant Funding Program*, administered by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada. This funding is intended to help Indigenous people and Northerners participate effectively in impact assessment reviews for major infrastructure and resource extraction proposals. Details on how to apply for this program will follow shortly.

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