

Mackenzie Valley
Environmental Impact
Review Board

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May 1, 2002

MVEIRB file: EA01-004

Robin Johnstone
Senior Environmental Manager
De Beers Canada Mining Inc.
702 - 5201 50th Avenue
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**RE: INFORMATION REQUESTS (IR) ISSUED UNDER THE REVIEW BOARD'S
AUTHORITY**

Dear Mr. Johnstone,

Please find attached a compilation of all the IRs issued under the Review Board's authority. The compilation includes the Review Board IR's, otherwise referred to as IR round-one, and IRs from directly affected parties and interveners submitted to date, also referred to as IR round-two.

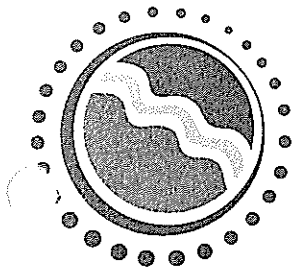
You will note that some parts of IRs are struck out. De Beers is not obligated to respond to those parts of the IRs. As you are aware, the Review Board will resolve any dispute over the need for or the relevance of information requested in the IR. Also, any party to the EA proceeding may request a ruling on the IRs issued or the responses provided.

Any request for ruling must be filed with the Executive Director. The Executive Director shall ensure that the Request is provided to all parties no later than five days before the Review Board considers the Request to allow parties to respond. A party wishing to respond to a written Request shall provide a written response and supporting documents no later than two (2) days before the Request is scheduled to be heard by the Review Board. The Executive Director shall ensure that all parties are provided with the party's response. Parties may provide a written response no later than close of business one (1) day before the Request is scheduled to be considered.

Please provide the Review Board with responses to the IRs and it will put them on the public registry and distribute the responses accordingly.

Sincerely,

Luciano Azzolini
Environmental Assessment Officer



Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

May 6, 2002

MVEIRB file: EA01-004

David Livingstone, Director
Renewable Resources & Environment
INAC
P.O. Box 1500,
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2R3

Dear Mr. Livingstone:

**Re: INFORMATION REQUESTS (IRs) TO DIAND AND ALL OTHER REGULATORY
AUTHORITIES - DEBEERS SNAP LAKE DIAMOND PROJECT**

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is issuing the attached IRs to *INAC*. The objective of the IRs is to clarify and inform fiduciary, environmental management and monitoring questions during the technical analysis of the environmental assessment process.

The Review Board asks that *INAC* respond to the attached IRs on or before, June 03, 2002.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "L. Azzolini".

Luciano Azzolini
Environmental Assessment Officer

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1.1.69 Source: Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

To: DIAND and GNWT

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Request: Please provide the Review Board with a detailed summary of your government, department or agency’s efforts to ensure effective consultation with first nations and Metis groups affected by the proposed development. Provide dates, and places of meetings, correspondence and details of other efforts to ensure adequate consultation. Indicate any plans for ongoing consultation efforts as the regulatory process unfolds.

1.1.70 Source: Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

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1.1.71 Source: World Wildlife Canada

To: DIAND and GNWT

Reference: De Beers Snap Lake Diamond Project Environmental Assessment Report:

Section 6.4.1.1 – Ecologically Representative Areas
Section 6.4.2.3 – Key Question RU-2: What Impacts Will the Snap Lake Diamond Project Have on the Potential to Establish Protected Areas.

ToR Lines: 418-420, and 446-449

Preamble: The impact analysis (Section 6.4.2.3.3) does not consider the identification of ecological diversity within ecoregion # 66, the Coppermine River Upland, using the NWT landscape unit methodology.

Request: "What impacts will the De Beers Snap Lake Diamond Project have on options to complete a network of ecologically representative areas? Specific questions to pursue in answering this question are:

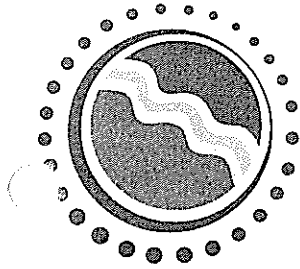
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May 6, 2002

MVEIRB file: EA01-004

Bob Bailey, Assistant Deputy Minister
Department of Resources, Wildlife & Economic Development
Government of the NWT
P.O. Box 1320,
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Bailey:

**Re: INFORMATION REQUESTS (IRs) TO DIAND AND ALL OTHER REGULATORY
AUTHORITIES - DEBEERS SNAP LAKE DIAMOND PROJECT**

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is issuing the attached IRs to the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT). The objective of the IRs is to clarify and inform fiduciary, environmental management and monitoring questions during the technical analysis of the environmental assessment process.

The Review Board asks that the GNWT respond to the attached IRs on or before, June 03, 2002.

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Luciano Azzolini
Environmental Assessment Officer

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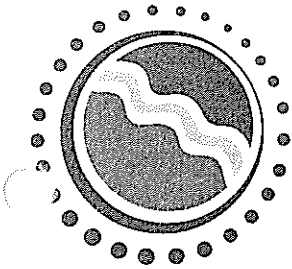
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John Ramsey, Senior EAO
Office of Environmental Affairs
Natural Resources Canada
580 Booth Street, 3rd floor
Ottawa, ON K1A 0E4

Dear Mr. Ramsey:

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AUTHORITIES - DEBEERS SNAP LAKE DIAMOND PROJECT**

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Luciano Azzolini
Environmental Assessment Officer

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Marc Lange, DFO

1.1.69 Source: Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

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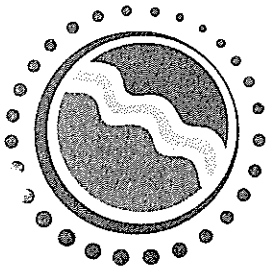
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Julie Dahl
Fisheries & Oceans Canada
Suite 101, 5204 – 50th Avenue
Yellowknife, NT X1A 1E2

Dear Ms. Dahl:

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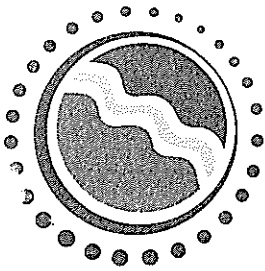
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Doug Soloway, EAO
Transport Canada
P.O. Box 8550,
Winnipeg, MB R3C 0P6

Dear Mr. Soloway:

**Re: INFORMATION REQUESTS (IRs) TO DIAND AND ALL OTHER REGULATORY
AUTHORITIES - DEBEERS SNAP LAKE DIAMOND PROJECT**

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is issuing the attached IRs to *Transport Canada*. The objective of the IRs is to clarify and inform fiduciary, environmental management and monitoring questions during the technical analysis of the environmental assessment process.

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Environmental Assessment Officer

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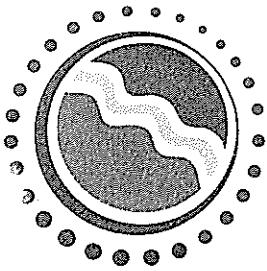
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May 6, 2002

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Mark Dahl, EAO Coordinator
Environment Canada
Suite 301, 5204 – 50th Avenue
Yellowknife, NT X1A 1E2

Dear Mr. Dahl:

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Luciano Azzolini
Environmental Assessment Officer

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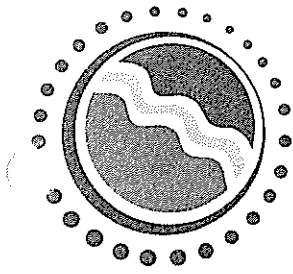
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May 8, 2002

Ted Blondin
Dogrib Treaty 11 Council
P.O. 412,
Yellowknife, NT X0E 0Y0

Dear Mr. Blondin: *Ted*

RE: INFORMATION REQUEST TO DOGRIB TREATY 11 COUNCIL

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is providing the attached Information Request (IR) to the *Dogrib Treaty 11 Council*. The objective of the IR is to clarify and inform fiduciary, environmental management and monitoring questions during the technical analysis phase of the DeBeers Snap Lake Diamond Project environmental assessment.

Through the use of IRs, the Review Board can provide all interested parties, and those of Directly Affected or intervener standing, the opportunity to review, consider and comment on the information obtained. The Review Board requests that the *Dogrib Treaty 11 Council* provide an answer to the IR on or before June 3, 2002, as this date coincides with a similar IR provided to the federal and territorial governments.

If you have any questions with regards to this information request please call the undersigned at (867) 766- 7053.

Sincerely,

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Luciano Azzolini
Environmental Assessment Officer

cc. Tony Pearce via fax: (604) 224-6799
Pape & Salter, Barristers & Solicitors

2.8.4 Source: Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

To: All Directly Affected Parties (non-government)

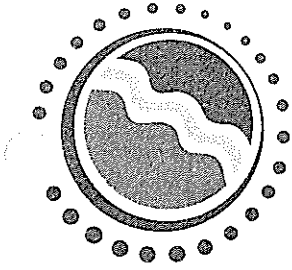
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Charlie Catholique
Wildlife, Lands & Environment Committee (WLEC)
Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation
P.O. Box 28,
Lutsel K'e, NT X0E 1A0

Dear Mr. Catholique:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charlie", written over the printed name "Mr. Catholique".

RE: INFORMATION REQUEST TO LUTSEL K'E DENE FIRST NATION

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is providing the attached Information Request (IR) to the *Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation*. The objective of the IR is to clarify and inform fiduciary, environmental management and monitoring questions during the technical analysis phase of the DeBeers Snap Lake Diamond Project environmental assessment.

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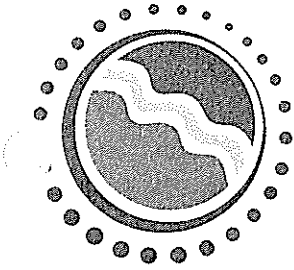
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Luciano Azzolini
Environmental Assessment Officer

cc. Steve Ellis, Manager, WLEC

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 - (2) Please indicate whether your First Nation, agency or organization foresees the need for a similar arrangement, including specifically the need for an environmental agreement to contribute to the

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MVEIRB File: EA01-004

May 8, 2002

Clem Paul, Director
North Slave Metis Alliance
P.O. Box 340,
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N3

Dear Mr. Paul: *Clem*

RE: INFORMATION REQUEST TO NORTH SALVE METIS ALLIANCE

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is providing the attached Information Request (IR) to the *North Slave Metis Alliance*. The objective of the IR is to clarify and inform fiduciary, environmental management and monitoring questions during the technical analysis phase of the DeBeers Snap Lake Diamond Project environmental assessment.

Through the use of IRs, the Review Board can provide all interested parties, and those of Directly Affected or intervener standing, the opportunity to review, consider and comment on the information obtained. The Review Board requests that the *North Slave Metis Alliance* provide an answer to the IR on or before June 3, 2002, as this date coincides with a similar IR provided to the federal and territorial governments.

If you have any questions with regards to this information request please call the undersigned at (867) 766- 7053.

Sincerely,

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Luciano Azzolini
Environmental Assessment Officer

cc. facsimile distribution list
Bob Turner
Chamberlain & Hutchinson

2.8.4 Source: Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board

To: All Directly Affected Parties (non-government)

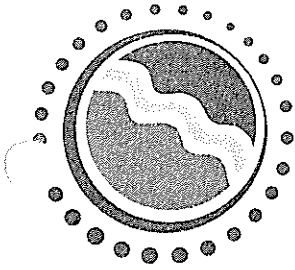
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ToR Line: 573-574

Preamble: After the BHPB and DDMI environmental impact assessment and regulatory approvals processes were completed; the Minister of DIAND required the negotiation of environmental agreements, which provided for the establishment of a monitoring framework addressing both regional cumulative effects and project effects. These monitoring frameworks are now overseen by the IEMA and EMAB respectively. The Review Board wishes to secure the views of the participants in these other project specific monitoring processes on the need (if any) and appropriate form for the post approvals monitoring framework for the De Beers development.

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Rachel Crapeau
Yellowknives Dene First Nation
P.O. Box 2514,
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2P8

Dear Ms. Crapeau:

RE: INFORMATION REQUEST TO YELLOWKNIVES DENE FIRST NATION

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is providing the attached Information Request (IR) to the *Yellowknives Dene First Nation*. The objective of the IR is to clarify and inform fiduciary, environmental management and monitoring questions during the technical analysis phase of the DeBeers Snap Lake Diamond Project environmental assessment.

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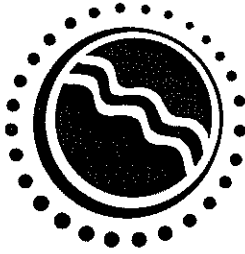
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cc. Tim Buyers

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