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RE: De Beers Environmental Assessment (EA) Information Request (IR) Round 3(b) August 31 Conclusion Date

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) convened on September 4, 2002. At the meeting the Review Board acknowledged the GNWT's efforts in the De Beers Snap Lake Diamond Mine EA, and noted upcoming opportunities for GNWT input and involvement. However, the Review Board decided that it would hold back GNWT Round 3(b) IRs respecting the August 31, 2002 window for submissions had lapsed. I am available to discuss this matter at your convenience.

Regards,

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