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Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board,
Box 938,
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Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N7
Attention: Luciano Azzolini, Environmental Assessment Officer

Dear Sirs:

Re De Beers Snap Lake Diamond Project - Information Request

I am writing on behalf of the Dogrib Treaty 11 Council, in response to the Review Board's Information Request concerning post-approval environmental monitoring systems.

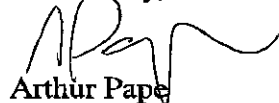
The Dogribs consider that this is an important issue for consideration during the Snap Lake environmental assessment process being conducted by the Review Board, and they will therefore want to make full submissions on the matter at the appropriate time. However, the Dogribs are not in a position to make such a submission at this time.

The Dogribs believe that there are significant strengths in each of the specific post-approval monitoring systems that were established under the environmental agreements respecting the BHPB and the Diavik projects. There are also some important problems with each model.

The Dogribs believe that it is possible to use the experience from both of those, to plan a post-approval monitoring system for the Snap Lake project that would be based on the best features of each. The Dogribs are also aware of ongoing discussions relating to the possible amendment or amalgamation of those processes, and will be participating in those.

The Dogribs therefore suggest that the Review Board ask the parties to address this issue in the public hearing phase of this Assessment, so that the Board can consider addressing it in its Board's eventual decision.

Yours truly,



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