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**RE: Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board)
Information Requests (IR).**

Please find attached the Review Board's first IR. All future IRs from parties are placed on the public registry before being considered and issued under the Review Board's authority. De Beers has the opportunity of reviewing all IRs before the Review Board considers them, and providing its views before any final decision to issue them is taken.

The Review Board's Work Plan set May 26, 2002 as the last day for De Beers to respond to all IRs from the Review Board and parties. Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) has indicated it needs more time to prepare its IRs and that it would like to submit them to the Review Board on April 15, 2002 instead of April 8, 2002. This will give De Beers about three weeks to respond to the IRs. Therefore, De Beers has the option of submitting its IR responses on May 6, 2002 or delaying its response to the IRs until on May 13, 2002. If you have any questions or concerns about the included IRs please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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