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June 14, 2012

De Beers Canada Inc.
5102 - 50th Avenue, Suite 300
Yellowknife, NT X1A 3S8

Attention: Tony Guthrie, CEO and President

Dear Mr. Guthrie:

Re: Proposed Gahcho Kue Diamond Mine

Further to our letter dated May 16, 2012 to Cathie Bolstad, Director External & Corporate Affairs, a response has not been provided by De Beers to our concerns; however, we received your letter dated June 13, 2012 about the Gahcho Kue Project Community Engagement Update. The NWTMN will not be ignored or sidelined by De Beers in respect to this project.

As De Beers is refusing to respect the aboriginal rights of the NWTMN affected by the project, the NWTMN will be communicating with Premier Robert McLeod of the Government of the Northwest Territories and Minister John Duncan, Aboriginal Affairs Development Canada that the aboriginal rights of the NWTMN cannot be infringed upon by De Beers and that the rights of the NWTMN need to be accommodated through the negotiation of an impact and benefits agreement.

In addition, the NWTMN will be taking proactive steps to provide communications to the public and to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board about the adverse affects of the project on caribou, caribou habitat, water quality, fish, fish habitat and aboriginal harvesting.

The NWTMN is very concerned about the cumulative effects of all the diamond mines on the caribou population and health.

Our traditional knowledge as caribou harvesters and being involved in caribou management has provided evidence of the adverse effects of mines on caribou. It's noted from map movements of caribou that the caribou have been avoiding diamond mine sites and areas of high activity. Since the diamond mines have been in this country, the caribou have been in poor shape and effected the reproduction of caribou.

We observe that this is a short term project with long term adverse effects.

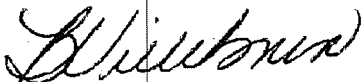
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We are requesting a meeting with De Beers to address our concerns.

Sincerely,



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c.c. John Duncan, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs Northern Development Canada
Robert McLeod, Premier Government of the Northwest Territories
Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board
Garry Bailey, President, Fort Resolution Métis Council
Ken Hudson, President, Fort Smith Métis Council
Paul Harrington, President, Hay River Métis Government Council