

July 30, 2019

Notice of Proceeding: Supplemental Information Requests

Depositing kimberlite into pits and underground- Diavik Diamond Mines Inc.

On July 26, 2019, the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) issued five supplemental information requests to Diavik Diamond Mines Inc. (Diavik) ([PR#98](#)). Diavik responded to the first four supplemental information requests on July 29, 2019 ([PR#100](#)). The deadline for interventions will remain August 1, 2019.

The Review Board is providing parties with meaningful opportunities to respond to the new information from Diavik.

Interveners may consider Diavik's responses to the first four supplemental information requests in their interventions. Diavik has indicated it will respond to the fifth supplemental information request by August 9, 2019. Interveners can test the evidence provided in Diavik's responses to all five supplemental information requests throughout the remainder of the hearing phase. For example:

1. If these supplemental information requests are relevant to their interventions, Interveners can adjust their positions in their hearing presentations. Diavik will be able to respond to these hearing presentations. Hearing presentations deadlines will remain the same (August 27 for parties, August 30 for Diavik).
2. Interveners can question Diavik about the supplemental information at the hearing.
3. If further response to the supplemental information by Interveners is required, they can provide additional comments on this evidence during the undertakings period following the public hearings. Interveners wishing to do so must make a request to the Board – specifically in relation to Diavik's responses to the supplemental information requests – by the final day of the hearing. Interveners will then have one week after the final day of the public hearings to submit this evidence.
4. Diavik can respond to any such submissions by interveners by the end of the undertakings period (2 weeks after the hearings).
5. Interveners can submit closing arguments after the undertakings period as set out in the Work Plan.

The Review Board remains committed to conducting this assessment following a fair and thorough process. For questions or more information on this environmental assessment, please contact Kate Mansfield (867-766-7062, kmansfield@reviewboard.ca) or Catherine Fairbairn (867-766-7054, cfairbairn@reviewboard.ca).