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Note to File

EIR0607-001

Gahcho Kué Diamond Project, De Beers Canada Inc.

To Parties:

Re: Information request instructions

The Gahcho Kué Panel thanks all individuals and organizations who participated in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Analysis Sessions during the week of November 28 to December 2. The next step in the Environmental Impact Review is the submission of information requests.

Information requests (IRs) are prepared by parties as well as the Panel based on a review of the Gahcho Kué Diamond Project EIS and conformity response documents. Parties send their IRs directly to the developer or any other party, with copies to the Panel for the public registry. Responses to the IRs will be submitted to the Panel.

If De Beers Canada Inc. or any other party cannot respond to a specific IR, or believes it is outside the scope of the Environmental Impact Review, it should notify the Panel within one month of receiving the IR and provide its rationale.

The purpose of an information request is to give parties the information needed to help reach conclusions about potentially significant impacts of the project on valued components. A template for information requests can be found on our website under reference library, practitioners' toolbox, forms and templates.

For clarity, note that the Panel will not pre-approve information requests. Please include a reference to the relevant section of the EIS or other document in your information request.

According to the Work Plan, information requests are to be submitted within 50 days of the completion of the EIS Analysis Sessions. Please submit your information requests by January 18, 2012. Contact information for IRs submitted to the developer is veronica.chisolm@debeers.ca via email, or 867-766-7347 via fax.

Sincerely,

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