

March 27, 2017

Angela Love
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Dear Ms. Love:

Re: Request for Extension on the re-submission of the Reclamation Research Plan and Closure Options for the ICRP V.3 (MV2005L2-0015 and MV2005C032)

On March 22nd De Beers received a letter, dated March 16th, containing two lengthy tables of new and previously addressed comments and requests concerning the Reclamation Research Plan (RRP) and closure options of the ICRP. This letter came on the same day as the Board's letter approving the Interim Closure Objectives of the ICRP. The Board asked that De Beers revise and resubmit the RRP and closure options in accordance with the comment tables by April 6th, 2017.

De Beers will not be able to meet that timeline due to the volume and nature of the comments and requests, as well as the concurrent year end reporting responsibilities that we have with respect to our Water License and Land Use Permit. We would like to respectfully request a 30 day extension, to May 8th, 2017 for re-submission of the RRP and closure options. We thank the Board staff for their consideration of this request.

As always I may be contacted at sarah.mclean@debeersgroup.com or 867-688-9227 to discuss this matter and re-submission anytime.

Respectfully,



Sarah McLean

Regulatory Specialist