Work Plan for the Water Licence Amendment Application:

Processed Kimberlite to Mine Workings, Extension of the Term of the Licence, and Administrative Amendments

Work Plan Timeline
See page 2.

Purpose of the Work Plan
To outline the processes and timelines to be followed for the application to amend Water Licence W2015L2-0001 to allow for the deposition of Process Kimberlite (PK) material into mine workings, to extend the term of the Licence from October 18, 2023 to October 18, 2025, and to incorporate proposed administrative amendments.

Background
Diavik Diamond Mines (2012) Inc. (DDMI) submitted an amendment application to the Wek’eezhii Land and Water Board (WLWB) on June 4, 2018. This application proposes the Board amend Licence W2015L2-0001 to allow for the deposition of PK material into mine workings. The application also includes a proposed change to the term of the Licence from October 18, 2023 to October 18, 2025, as well as proposed administrative amendments to the Licence.

Guiding Principles
The following principles will guide the Work Plan of the WLWB throughout this water licence amendment process:

- The amendment process shall be carried out in a timely manner and shall have regard to the protection of the environment in consideration of the impacts of proposed undertaking and the importance of conservation to the well being and way of life of the aboriginal peoples of Canada (Section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982);
- The Board will consider changes to the Water Licence based on evidence and rationale submitted by the company or any other party;
- The Board may also consider changes it considers appropriate to meet its mandate, applicable policies, and to ensure consistency in decision-making throughout the Mackenzie Valley; and,
- The Board will actively continue to ensure compliance with existing Water Licence requirements.

Work Plan Objectives
The Work Plan is to achieve the following objectives:

- Compile a broad range of input through the review process;
- Ensure adequate information is gathered to complete the water licence amendment process; and,
- Facilitate a thorough, inclusive, and timely water licence amendment process.

Opportunities for Engagement
- The Board requires the Proponent to engage with communities and aboriginal organizations regarding applications prior to its submission;
- The Board will distribute the application to all reviewers on the Board’s ‘Diavik distribution list’ – including aboriginal organizations, governments, and communities – for review using the LWB Online Review System;
- The Board will include a notification(s) regarding the review process in the newspaper;
- The Board will coordinate a technical session(s) to address specific issues that require more focused review and discussion;
- The Board will hold a public hearing and provide notice to the public of this, in advance, in the newspaper; and
- Any other consultation or engagement activity that the Board considers appropriate.
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<td>Monday, June 4, 2018</td>
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<td>WLWB</td>
<td>Friday, June 15, 2018</td>
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<td>Comments due on application (identify issues for technical session)</td>
<td>Reviewers</td>
<td>Thursday, August 2, 2018</td>
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<td>Friday, January 11, 2019</td>
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Please note that the Work Plan has been created based on information available and is subject to change at any time.