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TECHNICAL SESSION AGENDA

De Beers Canada Inc. (De Beers) – Gahcho Kue
MV2005C0032 and MV2005L2-0015

Dates: July 7, 2020 – July 9, 2020
8:30 AM – ~12:15 PM

Location: Virtual

Video Conference

Information:

Zoom Meeting Information:

If you would like to join, please contact either Angela Love at 867-766-7456 or via email at angela.love@mvlwb.com or Jacqueline Ho at 867-766-7455 or via email at jho@mvlwb.com for participation details.

Logistics for Remote Technical Session:

- Technology does not always cooperate and run smoothly. All participants should prepare their computers, screens, microphones, camera, and phone ahead of time to ensure those devices are functioning properly, fully charged, or plugged in.
- A remote Technical Session can cause participation fatigue. Board staff appreciate participant's civility, professionalism, cooperation, communication, and collaboration during the session.
- The Zoom web browser client will download automatically when the participant starts or joins the first Zoom meeting, and is also available for manual download [here](#). Please download the web browser client **before** the Technical Session to avoid delays to us getting underway.
- If a participant is unfamiliar with Zoom, access the Zoom user tutorials [here](#) to prepare for your participation.
- If a participant only wishes to participate via teleconference or if the internet is unstable, simply call one of the dial-in numbers listed above or only participate by audio.
- Each participant should enter their display name and their respective organization when joining the Zoom meeting.
- There will be a facilitator assigned to the Technical Session who will guide the order of the presentations, turn-taking, time limits, and any need for participants to take a break. To minimize disruption to the Technical Session, please follow the facilitator's instructions on turn-taking, and only speak when the facilitator has indicated it is your turn. Each organization/participant will be given opportunity to speak.
- If a participant would like to speak or have a follow-up question, use the [Zoom group chat](#) to let the facilitator know, and the participant will be added to the speaking order.

- To minimize background noises and feedback, please always keep your microphone/headset muted when you are not speaking. Only **unmute** yourself when the facilitator has indicated it is your turn to speak.
- The representative of each organization is the liaison for all participants in that organization. Please ensure that you have provided the contact information of the representative of your organization to Board staff prior to the Technical Session getting underway (or to the facilitator at the start of the Technical Session if not known in advance).
- In the event of a disruption to the Technical Session or technological difficulties, Board staff will contact the representative of your organization by cell phone, text, or e-mail to communicate the contingency plan if necessary.
- If a participant is having technical difficulties, the participant should notify the representative of your organization. The representative should contact Board staff directly, or by using the chat option of Zoom, so that the Technical Session can be paused in order to resolve the technical issues.
- The Zoom meeting will be recorded to ensure the transcription is accurate.
- Please state your name and organization before you speak **each time** to ensure the session is accurately transcribed.
- [Screen Sharing](#) in Zoom can be used during presentations. Either the facilitator or the presenter can share the screen to display the material. Presenters should state the document name and page numbers to ensure all participants can follow along.
- Before the Technical Session, participants should download all the documents, such as presentations from the MVLWB Public Registry ([MV2005L2-0015](#) or [MV2005C0032](#)), to avoid delays to the session. This is especially important if a participant is only dialing in by phone, and not participating via video conference.
- [Breakout rooms](#) in Zoom will be available during the Technical Session for each organization to chat amongst themselves if necessary. For example, if the proponent and their consultants would like to have a discussion before responding to a question, the breakout room can be used during a recess.
- **Please do not record the Technical Session or take screen captures.**

Purpose:

This technical session is meant to provide a forum where parties can discuss their concerns regarding the applications directly with the proponent and its consultants. It is the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board's (the Board) hope that such a discussion, as facilitated by Board staff, will increase each parties' understanding of the issues as well as the perspectives of others. In our experience, technical sessions can be useful in reducing the number of outstanding issues between parties. Although it would be helpful if some issues are resolved during the session, there is no requirements to do so; Board staff will guide questions and discussions to ensure parties have sufficient information to submit evidence that the Board can use to establish eventual water licence and land use permit conditions. Discussions at the technical session may also reveal the need for further information request (IR) of the proponent or other parties. The work plan for this review process includes time for parties to fulfill information requests, if required, prior to the deadline for public hearing interventions.

Please note that the technical session is not a public hearing and Board members and their legal counsel will not be participating. It is the Board's wish that the technical session be as informal as possible in order to promote discussion. Final recommendations for the Water Licence and Land Use Permit should be made in the formal written interventions submitted to the Board prior to the public hearing.

Agenda:

All times are approximate. De Beers will provide short introductory presentations to help initiate discussion for each topic listed below. Participants are encouraged to have questions prepared in advance for each topic and take the opportunity to follow up on issues raised in the Review Comment Table. Reference to specific items from the Review Comment Table is provided in the agenda below.

Please note that the following abbreviations are used to indicate the reviewer comments in the Review Comment Table.

Abbreviation	Reviewer
DFO	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
ECCC	Environment and Climate Change Canada
ENR	GNWT Environment and Natural Resources
MVLWB	Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board

Agenda for Day 1 – July 7, 2020

Time	Topics	Review Comments References
8:30 – 9:00	Join Meeting via Zoom (audio and/or video)	
9:00 – 9:20	Round Table Introductions and Opening Statements (Board staff)	
9:20 – 9:40	Project Description - Project Overview by De Beers	
9:40 – 12:00 (Break is scheduled as required)	Water Management - De Beers Presentation (10-15 mins)	
	Operational Water Management Plan	ECCC: ID-7, 8, 9, 10 ENR: ID-4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 44, 105 MVLWB: ID-5, 6, 9, 45, 46, 47, 54, 55, 56 Ni Hadi Xa: ID-5, 11, 12, 16
	Water Quality - De Beers Presentation (15-20 mins)	
	Water Quality Model Report	ECCC: ID-1, 2, 3 ENR: ID-50, 51, 52, 53, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68 MVLWB: ID-15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 Ni Hadi Xa: ID-7, 8, 19, 21
12:00 – 12:15	Final Comments – Information Request	
12:15	Meeting adjourned	

Agenda for Day 2 – July 8, 2020

Time	Topics	Review Comments References
8:30 – 8:45	Join Meeting via Zoom (audio and/or video)	
8:45 – 9:00	Round Table Introductions and Opening Statements (Board staff)	
9:00 – 9:30	Continuation of Discussion from Day 1 – Water Quality	
9:30 – 12:00 (Break is scheduled as required)	Effluent Quality - De Beers Presentation (20-30 mins)	
	Topic 1: - Effluent Quality Criteria	ECCC: ID-4, 5, 6, 12 ENR: ID-28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50 MVLWB: ID-35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 42 Ni Hadi Xa: ID-13, 18
	Topic 2: - Implications to Aquatic Effects Monitoring Program	MVLWB: ID-16
12:00 – 12:15	Final Comments – Information Request	
12:15	Meeting adjourned	

Agenda for Day 3 – July 9, 2020

Time	Topics	Review Comments References
8:30 – 8:45	Join Meeting via Zoom (audio and/or video)	
8:45 – 9:00	Round Table Introductions and Opening Statements (Board staff)	
9:00 – 10:00	Continuation of Discussion from Day 2	
10:00 – 11:00 (Break is scheduled as required)	Management Plans - De Beers Presentation (10-15 mins)	
	Topic 1: - Processed Kimberlite and Mine Rock Management Plan	ECCC: ID-11 ENR: ID-74/75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 92, 93, 106, 107 MVLWB: ID 58
	Topic 2: - Final Detailed Construction Plan - Coarse Processed Kimberlite and Mine Rock Plan	ENR: ID-88, 89, 90, 91, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99 MVLWB: ID 60, 61
	Topic 3: - Waste Rock Management	ENR: ID 69, 70
	Topic 4: - Closure and Reclamation	DFO: ID-5 ENR: ID-16, 17, 73, 95, 96, 100, 101, 102, 103 Ni Hadi Xa: ID-9, 10, 20 MVLWB: ID 13, 17

11:00 – 12:00	Water Licence and Land Use Permit Conditions - De Beers Presentation (5-10 mins)	
	Topic 1: - Term	ENR: ID-1
	Topic 2: - Conditions	ENR: ID-109, 110 MVLWB: ID-1, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69 Ni Hadi Xa: ID-22, 23
	Topic 3: - SNP	ENR: ID-7, 27 MVLWB: ID-70, 71, 72, 73
	Topic 4: - Withdrawal Volumes	DFO: ID-4 ENR: ID-19 Ni Hadi Xa: ID-4, 14, 15
12:00 – 12:15	Any Outstanding Comments/Concerns – Information Request	
12:15	Meeting adjourned	