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Technical Session

De Beers Canada Inc. – Gahcho Kué Mine

Water Licence and Land Use Permit Amendment Applications

MV2005L2-0015 and MV2005C0032

DATE & TIME: May 30 & 31, 2018; 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Northern United Place (room 205) 5004-54 Street Yellowknife
TELECONFERENCE: 1-866-512-0904 (call in number)
6103809 (Participant code)

Purpose:

This technical session is meant to provide a forum where parties can discuss their concerns about the Water Licence and Land Use Permit amendment applications directly with the proponent and its consultants. It is the Board's hope that such a discussion, as facilitated by Board staff, will increase each parties' understanding of the issues as well as of the perspectives of others. In our experience, technical sessions can be useful both in focussing the content of parties' subsequent interventions to the public hearing and 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 requirement 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 the amendments of water licence and land use permit conditions. Discussions at the technical session may also reveal the need for further information requests 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; 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 should be made in the formal written interventions submitted to the Board prior to the public hearing.



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Agenda – May 30 & 31, 2018

All times are approximate. De Beers Canada Inc. (De Beers) will provide some 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 to 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. The meeting will follow agenda topics and once a topic and related questions have been discussed, we will move onto the next topic accordingly. Therefore, there are no guaranteed times as to when a topic will begin. Please also note that any topics outside the Boards jurisdiction will be discussed as time allows.

Day 1 – May 30, 2018

TIME	TOPIC
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Arrival – Refreshments
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Round Table Introductions and Opening Comments (Board staff)
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Summary of Amendment Applications - Presentation from De Beers
Morning Discussions (Break ~ 10:30 – 10:45)	General Questions/Discussion on Amendment Applications
	Topic 1: Camp Water Use (ENR-36, -37)
	Topic 2: SNP Changes (ENR-2, -3, -4, -5; MVLWB-7, -13)
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch (not provided)
Afternoon Discussions (Break ~ 3:00 – 3:15)	Topic 3: Effluent Quality Criteria (ECCC-4, -5, -6, -7, -8, -9, -10, -11, -12; ENR-7 through to ENR-29; MVLWB-14, -15, -16, -17, -19, -20, 21, 22, 23; NHX-30)
	Topic 4: Water Quality Modeling (Part 1) (ECCC-13; ENR-30, -32, -33, -34; MVLWB-8, -9, -10, -11, -12, -18; NHX-14, -15, -16, -17, -18)
4:30 p.m.	Meeting adjourned



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Day 2 – May 31, 2018

TIME	TOPIC
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Arrival – Refreshments
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Round Table Introductions and Opening Comments (Board staff)
Morning Discussions (Break ~ 10:30 – 10:45)	Topic 4: Water Quality Modeling (Continued) (ECCC-13; ENR-30, -32, -33, -34; MVLWB-8, -9, -10, -11, -12, -18; NHX-14, -15, -16, -17, -18)
	Topic 5: Water Management (DFO-3, -4; ENR-31, -38, -39; MVLWB-4, -5, -6, -7; NHX-1, -24, -25, -26)
12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	Lunch (not provided)
Afternoon Discussions (Break ~ 3:00 – 3:15)	Topic 6: Waste Rock / Geochemistry (ECCC-15; ENR-40, -41, -42, -43, -44, -45; MVLWB-25, -26, -27, -28, -29, -30, -31; NHX-7, -11, -12, -28, -29)
	Topic 7: Closure and Reclamation (ECCC-14; ENR-35, -46, -47, -48, -49; NHX-19, -20, -21, -22, -23, -27)
	Topic 8: Fish and Wildlife Habitat (DFO-2, -3, -4; NHX-2, -3, -4, -5, -6, -31, -32, -33, -34, -35, -36)
4:10 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Next Steps