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File: MV2005L2-0015

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Dear Ms. Chisholm:

Regulatory Requirement for Board Approved Plans – De Beers Canada Inc. – Gahcho Kué

The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (the Board) received your letter seeking clarification on the regulatory process required to increase the discharge or pumping rate, as specified in the Construction Water Management Plan, on February 9, 2015.

As indicated in this letter, a Construction Water Management Plan (Plan) was submitted to the Board in accordance with Part G, item 3 of Water Licence (Licence) MV2005L2-0015 and contained information as outlined in Schedule 5, item 1 (including daily flow rates). A rate of $0.73\text{m}^3/\text{s}$, which was based on an estimated pumping capacity of the site dewatering infrastructure at the time, was specified in the Plan. The Plan was sent for review and was subsequently approved by the Board on October 22, 2015. Although the proposed increase is from $0.73\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ to $1.1\text{m}^3/\text{s}$, which would still be under the maximum daily flow rates at the outlet (as indicated in Part G, item 7 a) of Licence MV2005L2-0015), the request being proposed is a change to a Board approved plan.

In accordance with Part G, item 18 of Licence MV2005L2-0015, and as outlined in the Reasons for Decision, approved Plans shall be annually reviewed and, if revisions are deemed necessary to reflect upcoming changes, a revised plan shall be resubmitted to the Board for approval.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Angela Love at (867) 766-7456 or angela.love@mvlwb.com.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angela Love".

Angela Love
Regulatory Officer