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Hi Elaine,

Can you please put a copy of the below email into the file and post a copy to the online registry under:

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Thanks,  
Angela

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Hi Sarah,

I've provided answers to your questions below in red. Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Regards,  
Angela

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**From:** McLean, Sarah [<mailto:Sarah.McLean@debeersgroup.com>]  
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**Subject:** Clarifying water use fees for 2016-17

Hi Angela,

How are you? It's that time of year again, water use fees.

For the upcoming year (beginning September 24, 2016) we plan to use the 27,000 Mm3 of water allowed under Schedule 3, Part D, Item 1b and the 1,555,200Mm3 of water for downstream flow allowed under Schedule 3, Part D, Item 1c.

Regarding water use and expected fees, I've got a few questions I'm hoping you can provide answers to:

1. Could you please confirm that we owe \$20,688.20 for the period of September 24, 2016 to September 23, 2017?

- The collection of water use fees for your Licence is by the GNWT. As such, they should be contacted regarding amount owed.

2. If we use water meeting EOC's from the Water Management Pond to supplement downstream flows in Area 8 instead of sourcing it from N11 in 2017, would water use fees be applied to this volume? We do not pay fees for the 3.45 Mm of annual drawdown from the WMP.

- Again, any fees to be paid should be confirmed with the GNWT.

3. Could you confirm that if we mitigate downstream flow of Area 8 using water meeting EOC's from the water management pond in 2017, the volume removed will not affect our 3.45Mm<sup>3</sup> annual drawdown allotment. In other words, the downstream flow mitigation volumes will be over and above the annual drawdown limit of 3.45Mm<sup>3</sup>.

- Downstream flow mitigation is covered under Schedule 3, Part D, item 1 c) which states:

1,555,200 (one million, five hundred and fifty five thousand, two hundred) cubic meters (m<sup>3</sup>) per year for every three out of four years for downstream flow mitigation.

- Quantity of Water drawn down from Kennady Lake is covered under Schedule 3, Part D, item 2 b) which states:

3,450,000 (three million, four hundred and fifty thousand) cubic meters (m<sup>3</sup>) during the subsequent year(s) of Drawdown of Kennady Lake.

Following discussions with the Inspector, the MVLWB is of the opinion that the allotted volume to cover downstream flow mitigation is separate from the allotted volume of water for draw down of Kennady Lake.

Thank you very much for your assistance in clarifying these points for us,

Best wishes,

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