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**Attention: Mr. Mason Elwood/Mr. Allan Knight
Environmental Coordinators
Gahcho Kué Mine, NT**

Re: Authorization of Fuel Storage on Dyke A.

A request for temporary storage of drummed fuel within the 100m setback of a watercourse was received on Monday, July 12th, 2021 by Resource Management Officer Nahum Lee.

Upon review of the request, the Inspector is satisfied that the described methods for storage at the proposed location will not result in an increased risk to the environment and provide this letter as the written authorization required by Condition 50 to proceed with construction of the proposed storage area.

Please contact me at (867) 767-9187 ext. 24187, or by email at Nahum.Lee@gov.nt.ca should you have questions or care to discuss this request further. Take care and have a good day.

Sincerely,

Nahum Lee
Resource Management Officer III
(Inspector)
GNWT – Department of Lands, NSRO

cc: Jamie Steele (GNWT – Lands, NSRO)
Angela Love (MVLWB)
Allan Knight (GK Mine)
Mason Elwood (GK Mine)

From: [Nahum Lee](#)
To: [Elwood, Mason](#)
Cc: [Knight, Allan](#); [Kramers, Patrick](#); [Jamie Steele](#); [Angela Love](#)
Subject: RE: REG DB GK: Request for Authorization of Temporary Fuel Storage on Dyke A
Date: Wednesday, July 14, 2021 11:51:03 AM
Attachments: [Dyke A Fuel Storage Authorization 14-Jul-21.pdf](#)

Hello Mason,

Please find the attached letter authorizing the requested temporary storage. Take care and have a good day.

Sincerely,

Nahum

From: Elwood, Mason [mailto:Mason.Elwood@debeersgroup.com]
Sent: July 14, 2021 11:09 AM
To: Nahum Lee
Cc: Knight, Allan; Kramers, Patrick
Subject: RE: REG DB GK: Request for Authorization of Temporary Fuel Storage on Dyke A

Hi Nahum,

Please find the answers to your questions listed below:

The area depicted will be levelled and have a layer of 20mm crushed gravel placed prior to install. There is also a protective liner that is placed under the instaberm to help avoid any damage from abrasions.

Spill response materials will be the same as others that is currently in place across site, which is a 360L pre-assembled spill kit including hydrocarbon absorbing pads, Sorbent Socks, disposal bags & appropriate PPE. There is currently one of these kits staged at the helipad, with a another to be placed beside the temporary storage location, if permission is granted.

We will be including this area within our Environment Tank Inspections, which are conducted weekly. Staff will also be within proximity of the containment on a daily basis while conducting helicopter operations, and will be instructed to report any deficiencies observed.

Please reach out again should you have any further questions, or require further explanation.

Regards,

Mason Elwood, B.Env
Environmental Coordinator, Gahcho Kué Mine

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From: Nahum Lee <Nahum_Lee@gov.nt.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2021 10:18 AM
To: Elwood, Mason <Mason.Elwood@debeersgroup.com>
Cc: Knight, Allan <Allan.Knight@debeersgroup.com>; Kramers, Patrick <Patrick.Kramers@debeersgroup.com>
Subject: RE: REG DB GK: Request for Authorization of Temporary Fuel Storage on Dyke A

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Hello Mason,

I have reviewed the attached request and have a few questions. Will the surface of Dyke A be prepared in any way to protect the instaberm from punctures? What type of additional spill response materials will be stored on Dyke A with the addition of this drummed fuel? How often will the new installation be inspected to identify potential deficiencies? Thanks Mason and have a good day.

Regards,

Nahum

From: Elwood, Mason [<mailto:Mason.Elwood@debeersgroup.com>]
Sent: July 12, 2021 3:03 PM
To: Nahum Lee
Cc: Knight, Allan; Kramers, Patrick
Subject: REG DB GK: Request for Authorization of Temporary Fuel Storage on Dyke A

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Good Afternoon Nahum,

Find attached our request for written authorization to temporarily store Jet A Fuel drums on Dyke A at the Gahcho Kue Mine. I have also attached the relevant data sheets and technical drawings for the proposed containment that will be used should authorization be granted.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience if you have any questions regarding this request.

Thank you,

Mason Elwood, B.Env
Environmental Coordinator, Gahcho Kué Mine

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