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March 29, 2019

File: W2013D0006

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Dear Lynn Boettger,

Re: Land Use Permit W2013D0006 Extension Request Approved

This acknowledges receipt of your letter dated February 14, 2019 requesting a two-year extension to the above noted Land Use Permit. The Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board (WLWB) hereby extends Land Use Permit W2013D0006 to April 29, 2021.

If you have any questions, please contact Meghan Schnurr, Regulatory Specialist at (867) 765-4590 or email mschnurr@wlwb.ca.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Mackenzie".

Joe Mackenzie
Chair, Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board

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Reasons for Decision

Issued pursuant to paragraph 40(2)(c) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations (MVLUR)

Reference/File Number: W2013D0006 (Type "A" Land Use Permit)
Permittee: Dominion Diamond Mines ULC
Subject: Land Use Permit Extension Request

Decision from the Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board Meeting of March 29, 2019

With respect to this application, notice was given in accordance with sections 63 and 64 of the *Mackenzie Valley Resources Management Act* (MVRMA). There was no public hearing held in association with this application.

1.0 Decision

On March 29, 2019, the Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board (the Board) met to consider a request by Dominion Diamond Mines ULC (Dominion) for a two-year extension to Land Use Permit W2013D0006 for Mineral Exploration in the Lac de Gras, NT area. The Board has approved the two-year extension to Dominion for Land Use Permit W2013D0006.

2.0 Background

The WLWB issued Land Use Permit W2013D0006 to Dominion, commencing April 30, 2014, for a period of five years, expiring April 29, 2019.¹ The Permit is for mining and associated activities including the following: extraction of waste rock and ore from the Lynx Pit, construction of site roads to the Lynx Lake site (near Misery Pit and Lac de Gras), water management infrastructure (e.g., pipelines, pumps, runoff deflection structure), expansion of Misery waste rock storage area, and use of vehicles, equipment, and explosives at the Ekati Mine claim block.

¹ See WLWB (www.wlwb.ca) Online Registry for [W2013D0006 - Ekati Lynx - Land Use Permit - April 30, 14](#)

On January 31, 2019, Dominion submitted a two-year extension request to the WLWB.² The extension request was deemed incomplete, the Board requested Dominion to re-submit their extension request to include the following information, confirm that no new activities are being proposed or requested and confirmation of receipt from affected parties.³

On February 14, 2019, Dominion re-submitted their two-year extension request.⁴ The updated submission was reviewed and the Board determined that the required information was included in the package. On February 18, 2019, the extension request was distributed for public review using the Online Review System (ORS). Reviewer comments were due by March 11, 2019, and proponent responses were due by March 18, 2019.

3.0 Reasons for Decision

During the public review, the GNWT-ENR reviewed the submission and stated that they did not have comments or recommendation regarding the extension request. No other comments were received.

The Board believes that there are no concerns that would prohibit the Board from approving the two-year extension to Dominion Diamond Mines ULC's Land Use Permit W2013D0006.

Decision #1: The Board approves the extension to Land Use Permit W2013D0006 for a period of two years.

Signed the 29th Day of March, 2019, on behalf of the Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board



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Joe Mackenzie
Chair, Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board

² See WLWB Online Registry for [W2013D0006 - Ekati Lynx - Extension Request - Jan 31 19](#)

³ See WLWB Online Registry for [W2013D0006 - Ekati Lynx - Extension Request - Follow-up Correspondence - Feb 8 19](#)

⁴ See WLWB Online Registry for [W2013D0006 - Ekati Lynx - Two-Year Extension Request - Updated - Feb 14 19](#)