

September 4, 2018

Joseph Mackenzie
Acting Chair
Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board
#1, 4905-48th Street
Yellowknife, NT
X1A 2P6

RE: Land Use Permit Application for Mineral Exploration- Ekati Claim Block, NT

Dear Mr. Mackenzie:

Dominion Diamond Ekati ULC (Dominion) is pleased to submit the attached Land Use Permit (LUP) application for exploration activities located on the Ekati diamond mine claim block. This application is intended for summer and winter exploration activities in the undeveloped areas of the Ekati Diamond Mine claim block including Diamond drilling, large-diameter Reverse Circulation drilling, geochemical and geophysical surveys, winter road construction, and use of associated equipment. These activities, with the exception of an exploration camp and fuel storage are currently permitted under LUP W2013C0005, which expires on October 23, 2018. Dominion is applying for an exploration camp and fuel storage for exploration purposes to be added to the allowable activities under this permit.

Dominion is seeking the Board's ruling on the exemption of this application (excluding the exploration camp and fuel storage activities) from the preliminary screening provision of the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act (MVRMA). This request is made pursuant to Schedule 1 (Section 2), Part 1 paragraph 2 of the *Exemption List Regulations* pursuant to subsection 143(1) of the MVRMA which states:

A development, or a part thereof, for which renewal of a permit, licence or authorization is requested that
(a) has not been modified; and
(b) has fulfilled the requirements of the environmental assessment process established by the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act or the Environmental Assessment Review Process Guidelines Order.


Dominion respectfully submits that the activities as applied for in this Land Use Permit application (excluding the exploration camp and fuel storage), are considered a renewal as they are currently permitted under W2013C0005 and prior to that MV2002C0040 held by BHP Billiton Diamonds Inc. Dominion confirms that these activities have not been modified.

This submission consists of the following documents:

1. Cover Letter
2. Land Use Permit Application Form
3. Application Fee (\$150.00)
4. Certificate of Compliance
5. Mapping (Map 1)
6. Engagement Record
7. GIS Data

We trust that you will find the attached information complete and thorough. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (403) 910-1933 Ext. 2401 email Claudine.Lee@ddcorp.ca or Lynn Boettger at (867)766-6914 email Lynn.Boettger@ddcorp.ca. if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Claudine Lee, M.Sc., P.Geol.
Head of Environment
Dominion Diamond Ekati ULC

Land Use Permit Application Form

(Subsection 19(2) and Schedule 2 of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations)

1	Applicant's name and mailing address: Dominion Diamond Ekati ULC 900 – 606 4 Street SW, Calgary, AB, T2P 1T1 Attention: Claudine Lee		Fax no.: (403) 910-1934
			Telephone no.: (403) 910-1933, ext. 2401
2	Head office address: Same as above		Fax no.: same as above
	Field supervisor: Rick Woodward	Email address: Rick.Woodward@ddcorp.ca	Telephone no.: (867) 880 2214
3	Other personnel (subcontractor, contractors, company staff etc.): Drilling and geophysical contractors to be selected prior to each year's program. Up to 30 persons during any program (Summer or Winter)		
4	Eligibility (Refer to section 18 of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations):		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (a)(i)	<input type="checkbox"/> (a)(ii)	<input type="checkbox"/> (a)(iii)
5	<p>Other rights, licences or permits related to this permit application (mineral rights, timber permits, water licences, etc.):</p> <p><i>To complete this section of the Application Form, please see page 16 of the Board's Guide to the Land Use Permitting Process for more information.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 282 Crown Mineral Leases – all in good standing (Mineral rights as per Canada Mining Regulations) • Various Surface Leases for the Ekati Diamond Mine (administered by the GNWT) • Prospectors Licence N31818 • Water Licence W2012L2-0001 • Various Management Plans, policies, and procedures that include the activities as applied for under this LUP application. • Previously issued Land Use Permit W2013C0005 (expiry in October 2018) for these activities. • Ekati Mine Engagement Plan (latest approved version is located at: W2012L2-0001-Ekati-Engagement Plan-Version 4.1 -Jul 27_18.pdf) 		
6	a) Summary of operation (describe purpose, nature and location of all activities) (Provide details on a separate page, if necessary)		
	<p>(Refer to paragraph 19(3)(b) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations):</p> <p><i>To complete this section of the Application Form, please see page 15 of the Board's Guide to the Land Use Permitting Process for more information.</i></p> <p>This land use permit will cover activities that occur on the Dominion claim block outside of the developed areas of the Ekati Diamond Mine (please see attached Map). The permit is intended for the entire claim block to allow both preliminary and advanced activities throughout the area during the next five years. This includes prospecting, geochemical and geophysical surveys to determine the source of Kimberlite Indicator Mineral (KIM) and airborne anomalies on the property.</p>		

Investigative drill testing will be performed using sonic and air-track drilling, reverse circulation drilling, and diamond drilling at various times of the year depending on the level of exploration. During the winter, access may be required by building ice and winter roads to the kimberlite exploration areas. The drilling programs may be based out of the Misery Camp, Ekati Main Camp or an exploration camp depending on the program location and camp space availability. Subsequent winter programs will likely involve follow-up bulk sampling, diamond drilling for geotechnical and/or overburden sampling.

Exploration activity will also consist of follow-up ground geophysical surveys over anomalous signatures selected from previously flown airborne geophysical surveys. Evaluating targets from these airborne surveys provides for geophysical targets to be tested using an exploration diamond drill. Once discovered, existing kimberlites require further diamond drilling for their delineation and then bulk sampling for grading and process testing purposes.

The activities to be covered under the Land Use Permit (LUP) include those permitted in the existing permit W2013C0005 with the addition of an exploration camp (see details below) and fuel storage. Those activities in W2013C0005 are:

- 1) Diamond drilling, large-diameter RC drilling, geochemical and geophysical Surveys,
- 2) Winter road construction,
- 3) Use of vehicles and machines including earth-moving equipment.

Further information on these activities can be found by viewing information under the current LUP W2013C0005 (available at <http://www.mvlwb.ca/Registry.aspx?a=W2013C0005&c=Dominion>).

b) Indicate if a camp is to be set up. If yes, indicate size of camp or describe camp. (Provide details on a separate page, if necessary):

A temporary exploration camp is required and is being requested to be added into the scope of the Land Use Permit. A map showing 2 possible locations is attached. The location of the temporary exploration camp will be provided to the Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board (WLWB), once determined. The temporary exploration camp will accommodate up to 30 personnel at any given time and will be similar in layout to the attached figure.

The temporary exploration camp will consist of plywood and canvas tent structures sleep tents, one First-Aid/Refuge tent, kitchen, dry, core shack and office. Additionally, there will be structures erected for the power generator, waterless toilets and general storage. A dock, fuel cache, equipment storage yard, weather havens (for winter work) and waste disposal area may also be included. Total area in use would be less than 1 hectare and would be used on a seasonal basis.

Summary of potential environmental and resource impacts and mitigation measures (describe the effects of the proposed land-use operation on land, water, flora and fauna and related socio-economic impacts). (Use separate page if necessary):

To complete this section of the Application Form, proponents are encouraged to use Appendix B of the Board's [Guide to the Land Use Permitting Process](#).

The prospecting, mapping and surveying components of the project will have minimal impacts on the land, water, flora and fauna of the area.

Potential impacts of drilling operations are considered minor and localized (i.e., drilling areas will have a minimized footprint) and include:

- Accidental leaking of petroleum products from drill equipment;
- Scarring of vegetation from equipment or cuttings;
- Disturbance of heritage resources (Note: Not applicable for ice-based drill holes);
- Wildlife encounters;
- Altered water quality; and
- Litter.

Mitigation of Potential Impacts Include:

- Use of close-loops circuits for drilling from lake ice to re-circulate all drilling fluids and collect drill cuttings;
- Appropriate spill response kits at active drilling areas;
- Use of only non-toxic and biodegradable drilling additives
- Cut off of casing at ground level or lake bottom
- Careful and timely inspection of all drill sites to ensure that materials such as garbage and drums have been properly secured or removed;
- All personnel to be instructed on safe interactions with wildlife;
- A no fishing policy implemented for personnel; and,
- Archeological inspection of the land areas to be disturbed, if different from what has been assessed previously.

Dominion will follow the “Environmental Operating Procedures for Exploration” as submitted with Land Use Permit W2013C0005 (these can be found with the previous permit application at http://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/W2013C0005/W2013C0005%20-%20Ekati%20Exploration%20-%20LUP%20Application%20-%20Aug%2023_13.pdf).

Proposed restoration plans (Use a separate page if necessary):

The landfills at the Ekati Diamond Mine will be used to dispose inert solid waste. Restoration of on-ice activities is carried out on a routine basis and site inspections are completed by Dominion’s Technical and Environmental staff. All ice is scarified on the surface with ice chips and dumped in approved contaminated snow dumps. All cuttings are placed in land-based sumps approved by the Environment Department and the Inspector.

8 For the drilling programs, individual drill setups will be reclaimed using current best practices in order to return the land to its natural state. Any debris will be removed from the area and upon completion of operations and at each Borehole, drill casings will be removed or cut off and sealed at ground level.

For the temporary exploration camp site, all equipment and associated infrastructure will be disassembled and completely removed from site and disposed of as per the approved Waste Management Plan. All chemical, detergents, additives and lubricants will be completely removed from the camp site and properly disposed as outlined in the approved Waste Management Plan.

To complete this section of the Application Form, please see page 16 of the Board’s [Guide to the Land Use Permitting Process](#) for more information.

<p>Roads:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Is this to be a pioneered road? N/A (Provide details on a separate page.)</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Has the route been laid out or ground truthed? N/A</p>
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9 Proposed disposal methods:

To complete this section of the Application Form, a waste management plan for the proposed activities is to be developed in accordance with the Board’s [Guidelines for Developing a Waste Management Plan](#) and submitted as an attachment to the Application Form. A template for this Plan is provided in the Guidelines.

a) Garbage Combustible waste will be incinerated via the incinerator or taken to Ekati for disposal as per the Waste Management Plan. Non-combustible waste will be backhauled to either the Ekati mine site or Yellowknife for proper disposal.

b) Sewage (Sanitary and grey water) Camp greywater will be discharged to a sump. Human waste from self-contained toilets will be collected in bags and transported (slung in sealed drums) to the Ekati mine and burnt in the Ekati incinerator.

c) Brush & trees N/A

d) Overburden (Organic soils, waste material, etc.) Disturbance of overburden will be kept to a minimum.

Note that the existing and current version of the Waste Management Plan will apply to all activities conducted by Dominion under this permit. The most recent Waste Management Plan, as approved by the Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board (WLWB), can be found on the public registry (http://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/W2012L2-0001/W2012L2-000120-20Ekati20-20Waste20Management20Plan20-20Version204.020-20Jan2019_18.pdf)

10 Equipment (includes drills, pumps, etc.) (Use separate page if necessary):

A tracked top-hammer percussive drill rig will be used to determine depth to bedrock.

A tracked mounted sonic drill will be used to core overburden and till samples along the proposed dike alignment and will utilize the following equipment (or equipment that is comparable/equivalent to that listed here):

Number	Type and Size
1	LS 600 Drill Rig: 43,400lbs
1	SVC 600 support unit: 42,000lbs
1	Rig truck and core shack: 26,000lbs
1	Supervisor truck and Hot box (allmand heater): 9,000lbs
1	20 kw light tower: 2,400lbs

Diamond drilling programs will be carried out to characterize the range of potential bedrock conditions underlying the dike and will utilize the following equipment (or equipment that is comparable/equivalent to that listed here):

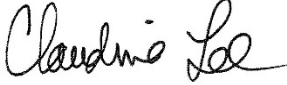
Number	Type and Size
1	Diamond Drill Rigs Discovery II Diamond Core Fly Rig or equivalent: 8,500 lbs
1	Rod Container: 10,000lbs
2	Sludge Tanks: 10,000lbs
4	Crates (4x4x4) assorted drill supplies: 4,000lbs

A Truck Mounted Large Diameter Reverse Circulation Drill Rig will be used to obtain bulk samples from identified kimberlite pipes following geophysical and geological surveys, and will utilize the following equipment (or equipment that is comparable/equivalent to that listed here):

Number	Type and Size
1	BF-800 Drill Rig mounted on a truck: 31,400lbs
1	Pipe Rack with 350m pipe and collars: 40,000lbs
3	Compressors: combined weight 23,100lbs
1	Boiler of fuel and water: 18,500lbs
1	Generator (40 ft C can): 6,500lbs
-	Pallets of mud, rig mats: 8,500lbs
1	Solids control unit with 20,000L water: 38,000lbs
1	Picker truck (within work area): 15,000lbs
1	Doghouse (40 ft. C can): 7,500lbs
1	Loader with forks: 13,750lbs
1	Vac truck (loaded): 30,000lbs
3	Pickup trucks (one with full fuel tank): 15,000lbs

11	Fuels:	Number of containers:	Capacity of containers:	Location:
	Diesel P40, P50	A bulk tank will be stored at the camp to service the camp and drill rigs. Any other fuels will be transported in a double wall tidy tanks, in pickup trucks	50,000 L	Temporary camp
	Gasoline	Approx. 5	205 L	Temporary camp

Aviation Fuel Helicopter fuel	Up to 100 drums on-site at any given time	205 L	Temporary camp
Propane	5 containers on site at any one time	45kg (100lbs) propane bottles	Drill sites and specified work areas
Other	N/A	N/A	N/A
12	<p>Containment fuel spill contingency plans (attach separate contingency plan if necessary):</p> <p><i>A spill contingency plan for the proposed activities is to be developed in accordance with INAC's Guidelines for Spill Contingency Planning, April 2007. This Plan is to be submitted as an attachment to the Application Form.</i></p> <p>The current version of the Ekati Spill Contingency Plan (Version 11.0), and future versions of the Plan will apply to all activities conducted by Dominion for this permit. The most recent plan, as approved by the WLWB, can be found on the public registry - http://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/W2012L2-0001/W2012L2-000120-20Ekati20-20Spill20Contingency20Plan20-20Version2011.020-20Jan2019_18.pdf</p>		
13	<p>Methods of fuel transfer (to other tanks, vehicles, etc.):</p> <p>12V electrical pump or hand operated wobble pump. Fueling to be performed at the fuel cache berms. During standard reverse circulation drilling programs, a tank fuel supply will be required proximal to drilling; the tank will be equipped with the electric pumping system. Vehicle or aircraft fueling will make use of portable trays and hose assemblies to minimize spillage risk. Spill kits will be available at all fuel storage and fuel transfer sites.</p>		
14	<p>Period of operation (includes time to cover all phases of project work applied for, including restoration):</p> <p>Activities are to occur year-round:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Winter Season – Approximately January – April • Summer Season – Approximately June – September <p>Reclamation activities are carried out immediately after drilling to ensure that all drill sites are left without waste and all drill materials have been removed. All cuttings are placed in land-based sumps.</p>		
15	<p>Period of permit (up to five years, with maximum of two years of extension):</p> <p>Five-year (5) permit to commence upon approval and issuance.</p>	<p>Start Date:</p> <p>October 2018</p>	<p>Completion Date:</p> <p>October 2023</p>
16	<p>Location of activities by map coordinates (attach maps and sketches):</p> <p><i>To complete this part of the Application Form, please see the Standards for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Submissions.</i></p> <p>See attached map.</p>		
Minimum latitude (degree, minute):		Maximum latitude (degree, minute):	
64° 28' 21.4" N		65° 0' 58.1" N	
Minimum longitude (degree, minute):		Maximum longitude (degree, minute):	
111° 31' 3.7" W		109° 45' 30.7" W	
<p>Map Sheet no.: 76C/12 and 76D 9/10/11/14/15/16</p> <p>NAD 83</p>			

17	Applicant:		
	Print name in full, in upper case:		
	Claudine Lee	Signature: 	Date: September 04, 2018
18	Application fees for Type A or Type B permit (for federal and non federal lands) ⁱ		n/a
	a) Application fees for Type A or Type B permit (include the first two hectares) - \$150.00:		\$ 150.00
	AND		
	b) Land-use fees for federal public lands only : If more than two hectares of federal public lands are being used, enter the number of hectares in excess of the two hectares included in the Application fee, rounded up to the next whole hectare ____ hectares at \$50.00/hectare		\$ n/a
	Total fees ⁱⁱ :		\$ 150.00

ⁱ To help identify whether your activity is on federal lands, please see [this map](#).

ⁱⁱ Please make all cheques payable to the Receiver General for Canada.



Government of Northwest Territories / Gouvernement des Territoires du Nord-Ouest

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE OF AN
EXTRA-TERRITORIAL CORPORATION

LOI SUR LES SOCIÉTÉS ACTIONS
CERTIFICAT DE CONFORMITÉ D'UNE SOCIÉTÉ
PAR ACTIONS EXTRATERRITORIALE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT

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a body corporate incorporated
under the laws of

une personne morale constituée
En vertu des lois

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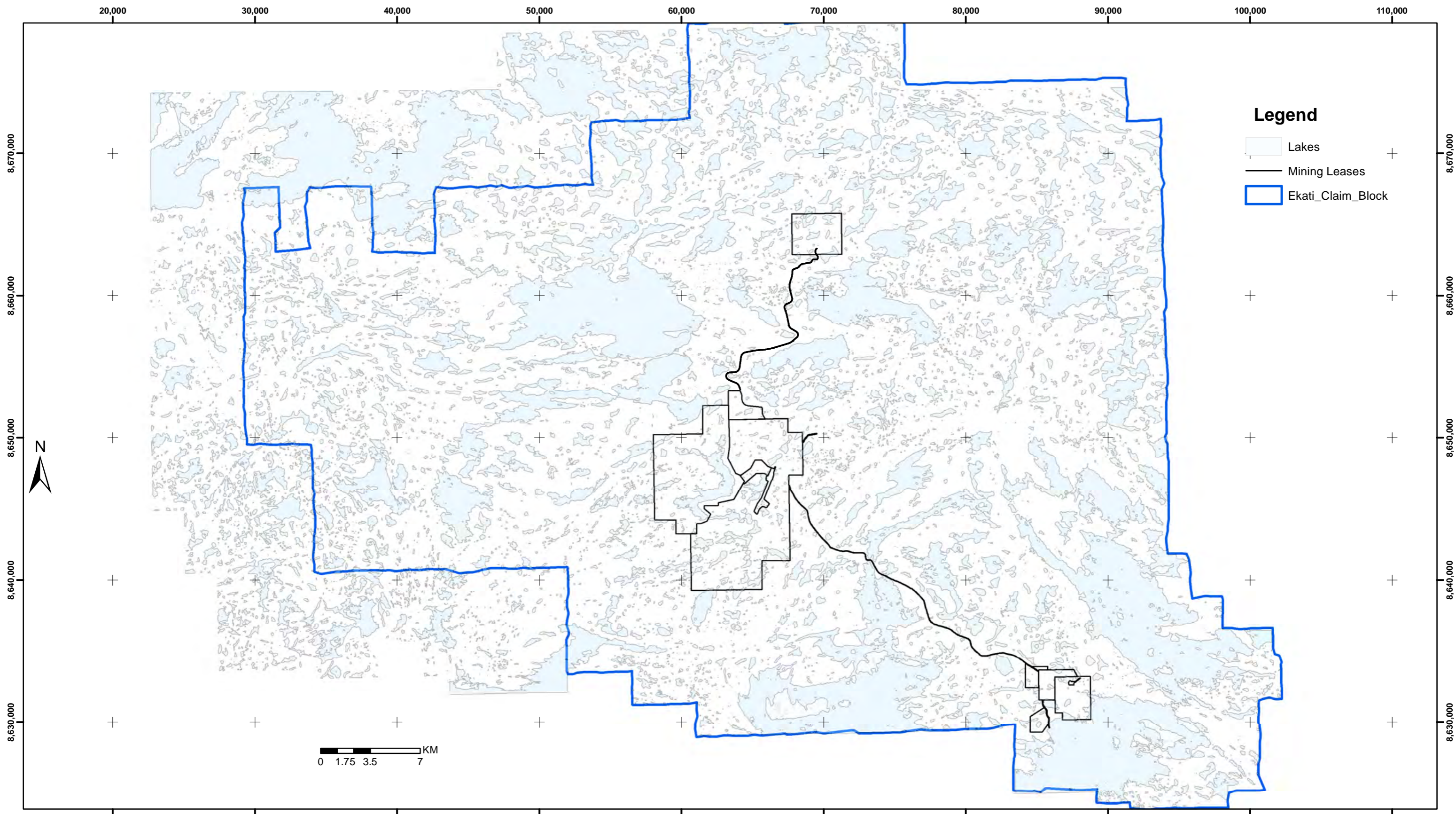
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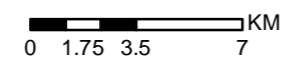


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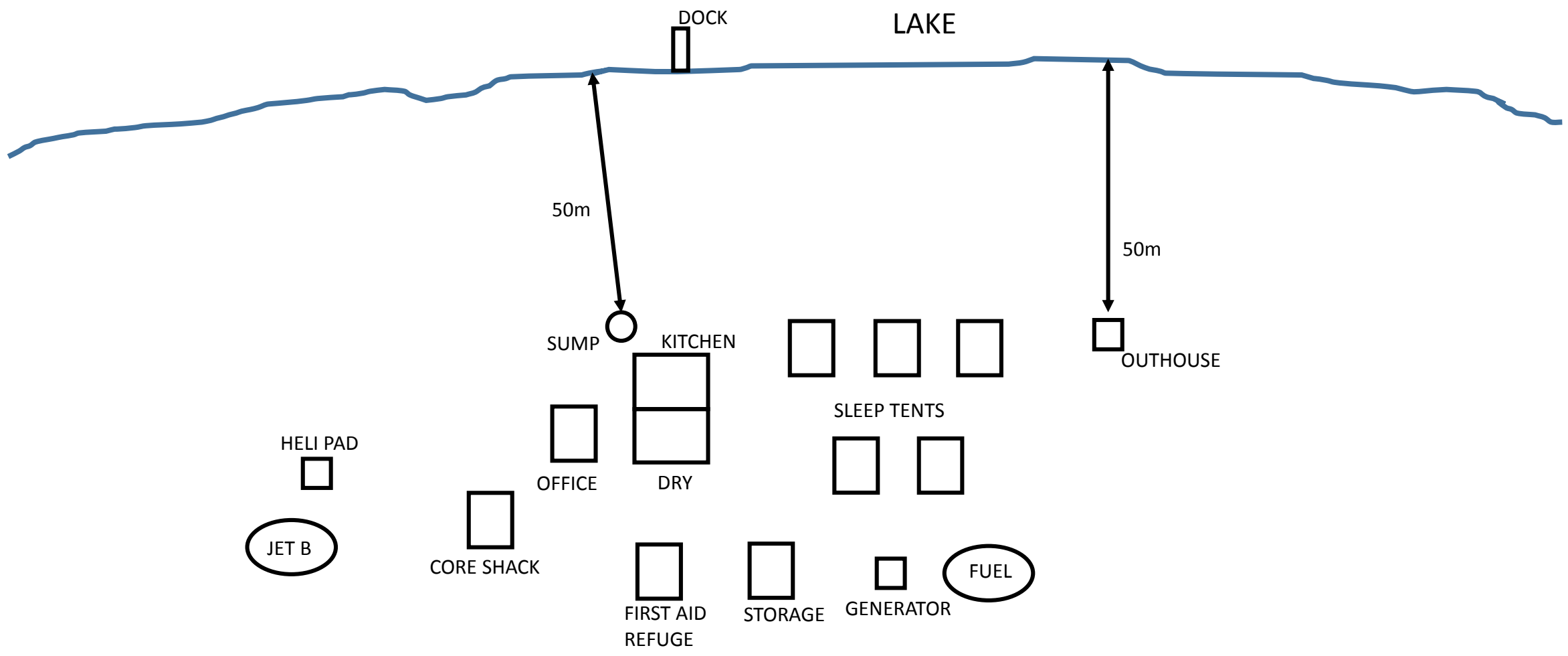
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 Date: 08/08/2018



Map 1 Exploration Program Ekati - 2018

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Coordinate System: NAD 1983 CSRS UTM Zone 12N
 Projection: Transverse Mercator
 Datum: North American 1983 CSRS
 False Easting: 500,000.0000
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 Units: Meter





**Dominion
Diamond Mines**

**Dominion Diamond Ekati ULC
Pre-Application Engagement Log 2018
Exploration Land Use Permit, Ekati Claim Block**

Date	Organization	User	Contact	Objective/ Comments
July 05, 2018	Akaitcho IMA Implementation Office, Bathurst Inlet Development Ltd., Bathurst Inlet Lodge, Boxxer Gold Corp., Community Government of Behchoko, Community Government of Gameti, Community Government of Wekweeti, Community Government of Whati, Dene Nation, Deninu Kue First Nation, Ecology North, Fort Resolution Metis Council, Fort Smith Metis Council, Hamlet of Fort Resolution, Hay River Metis Council, Katlodeeche First Nation, Kitikmeot Inuit Association, Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation, Manitoba Denesuline, North Slave Metis Alliance, Northwest Territory Metis Nation, Salt River First Nations, Smith Landing First Nation, Snap Lake Environmental Monitoring Agency, Tlicho Government, Wek'eezhii Renewable Resources Board, Wekweeti Community Government, West Point First Nation,	Stephanie Poole, Boyd Warner, Barry Taylor, Dave White, Clifford Daniels, John Hazenberg, Gameti SAO, Grace Angel, Alfonz Nitsiza, Whati SAO, Rolland Pangowish, Louis Balsillie, Rosy Bjornson, Patrick Simon, Craig Scott, Trudy King, Arthur, Shawn McKay, Kenneth Hudson, Carol Collins, Trevor Beck, Roy Fabien, Geoff Clark, Felix Lockhart, Lauren King, Sonya Almond, Wayne Wysocki, Joanne Taylor, Susan Enge,	Email/Letter	Emailed with attached pre-application engagement letter for the Exploration Land Use Permit Amendment/Renewal Application, for the Ekati claim block. Dominion requested that recipients provide any questions or comments by July 27, 2018.

	Yellowknives Dene First Nation	Shin Shiga, Garry Bailey, Tim Heron, Allen Stanzell, Frieda Martselos, Andrew Wandering Spirit, Jeff Dixon, Philippe de Pizzo, Ginger Gibson, Grand Chief Edward Erasmus, Laura Duncan, Zabey Nevitt, Sjoerd van der Wielen, Jody Pellissey, Johnny Arrowmaker, Misty Ireland, Alex Power, Eddie Sangris, Johanne Black		Emailed with attached pre-application engagement letter for the Exploration Land Use Permit Amendment/Renewal Application, for the Ekati claim block. Dominion requested that recipients provide any questions or comments they may have by July 27, 2018.
July 05, 2018	Wek'èezhii Renewable Resources Board (WRRB)	Jody Pellissey	Email	Received email confirming that Ms. Pellissey had received the pre-application engagement letter and will contact Dominion for any further follow-up. No follow-up was received or required.
July 05, 2018	Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board (WLWB)	Meghan Schnurr	Email	Received email confirming that Ms. Schnurr had received the pre-application engagement letter. The WLWB will not be uploading the letter to the Public Registry at this time. The Board anticipates that the application will address the requirements for pre-submission engagement.

Date	Organization	User	Contact	Objective/ Comments
July 05, 2018	Deninu Kue First Nation (DKFN)	Rosy Bjornson	Email	<p>Received email confirming that the pre-application engagement letter was received. The letter was forwarded to the Chief and Council for comments. No comments were received, however, DKFN inquired when Dominion would be conducting a consultation/community visit at Fort Resolution.</p> <p>August 8, 2018 – Dominion reached out to Shawn Mckay - FRMC Environment Coordinator to arrange a time to come to Fort Resolution. To date there has been no date set. Dominion will continue to work on arranging this.</p>
July 23, 2018	Independent Environmental Monitoring Agency (IEMA)	Marc Casas	Email	<p>Received email confirming that Mr. Casas had received the pre-application engagement letter. Mr. Casas noted that IEMA will wait until the submission and distribution of the Land Use Permit Amendment Application before providing any comments, if required.</p>
July 24, 2018	Government of the Northwest Territories – Department of Lands	Melissa Pink	Email	<p>Received email confirming that Ms. Pink had received the pre-application engagement letter. The GNWT – Department of Lands has reviewed the letter and has identified no concerns at the time of the email. The GNWT, Dept. of Lands will continue to participate the review process once the application has been submitted to the WLWB.</p>
July 26, 2018	Government of the Northwest Territories – Department of Environment and Natural Resources (GNWT – ENR)	Patrick Clancy	Email	<p>Received email confirming that Mr. Clancy received the pre-application engagement letter. Mr. Clancy noted that the GNWT – ENR has reviewed the letter and had no comments at the time.</p>

Mackle, Ada

From: Jody Pellissey <jpellissey@wrrb.ca>
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 10:36 AM
To: Ballantyne, Nicholas
Cc: Lee, Claudine A; Laura Meinert
Subject: Re: Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit
Attachments: image002.png

Good Morning Nick ... the WRRB will review and follow up if there are any questions.

Thank you,
JODY

On Thu, Jul 5, 2018, 9:29 AM Ballantyne, Nicholas, <Nicholas.Ballantyne@ddcorp.ca> wrote:

Hello all,

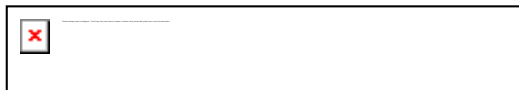
Please see the attached letter sent on behalf of Claudine Lee.

Regards,

Nick

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Subject: FW: Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit

From: Meghan Schnurr [<mailto:mschnurr@wlwb.ca>]

Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 2:44 PM

To: Ballantyne, Nicholas <Nicholas.Ballantyne@ddcorp.ca>

Subject: RE: Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit

Hi Nicholas – Thanks for copying us on this. We don't plan to upload this to the Registry at this time as we consider this to be an fyi to the Board and would anticipate the application will address the requirements for pre-submission engagement.

Masi!

Meghan

From: Ballantyne, Nicholas <Nicholas.Ballantyne@ddcorp.ca>

Sent: July 5, 2018 9:29 AM

To: admin@dkfn.ca; Anneli Jokela <ajokela@wlwb.ca>; dirlands@kitia.ca; general@nsma.net; georgemackenzie@tlicho.com; ginger.gibson@thefirelightgroup.com; Gord.Macdonald@riotinto.com; gracemackenzie@tlicho.com; heritage@nsma.net; ima@dkfn.ca; jblack@ykdene.com; jdonihee@willmsshier.com; Jessica Pacunayen <jpacunayen@wlwb.ca>; jpellissey@wrrb.ca; Jen Potten <jpotten@mvlwb.com>; lands@denation.com; lauraduncan@tlicho.com; lkdfnlands@gmail.com; Lorraine_Seale@gov.nt.ca; mcliffephillips@reviewboard.ca; mdentremont@lgl.com; Alex Power <apower@ykdene.com>; monitor1@monitoringagency.net; monitor2@monitoringagency.net; Meghan Schnurr <mschnurr@wlwb.ca>; nicole.goodman@nsma.net; patrick_clancy@gov.nt.ca; patricksimon777@yahoo.ca; Patty Ewaschuk <pewaschuk@wlwb.ca>; preliminaryscreening@reviewboard.ca; projectofficer@kitia.ca; rcc.nwtmn@northwestel.net; Ryan Fequet <rfequet@wlwb.ca>; Roberta Judas <rjudas@wlwb.ca>; screeningofficer@eastarm.com; Sarah Elsasser <selsasser@wlwb.ca>; shin.shiga@nsma.net; sonyaalmond@gmail.com; srenvironment@kitia.ca; tyannasteinwand@tlicho.com; wlwb06@gmail.com; zabeynevitt@tlicho.com; Shawn McKay <frmcenvironment@northwestel.net>; 'Don LeBlanc' <sao@kugluktuk.ca>; Jessica Hum <JessicaHum@tlicho.com>

Cc: Lee, Claudine A <Claudine.Lee@ddcorp.ca>; Mackle, Ada <Ada.Mackle@ddcorp.ca>; Boettger, Lynn <Lynn.Boettger@ddcorp.ca>

Subject: Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit

Hello all,

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Regards,

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Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2018 3:37 PM
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Cc: Lee, Claudine A; Mackle, Ada; Boettger, Lynn
Subject: RE: Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit

Hi, thank you for the letter. I will forward to Chief and Council for any comments. When do you think you will come to Fort Resolution to make a presentation to the community regarding this proposed project?

Rosy, DKFN

From: Ballantyne, Nicholas <Nicholas.Ballantyne@ddcorp.ca>
Sent: July 5, 2018 9:29 AM
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Hello all,

Please see the attached letter sent on behalf of Claudine Lee.

Regards,
Nick

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From: Marc Casas <monitor1@monitoringagency.net>
Sent: Monday, July 23, 2018 4:06 PM
To: Ballantyne, Nicholas
Cc: Lee, Claudine A
Subject: RE: Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit

Hello Nick, thank you for including the Agency on your pre-application letter. The Agency will wait until the LUP amendment application has been submitted and distributed by the WLWB before deciding if we have any comments on the application.

Thanks and have a great day!

Marc Casas – *Executive Director*

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From: Melissa Pink <Melissa_Pink@gov.nt.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2018 8:39 AM
To: Ballantyne, Nicholas
Cc: Lee, Claudine A
Subject: RE: INFO - Ekati - Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit - response requested by July 27
Attachments: Pre-Application Engagement Letter_Exploration LUP-July2018.pdf

Hi Nick,

The GNWT's Department of Lands has reviewed the attached letter regarding Dominion's upcoming LUP renewal application and has identified no concerns at this time. We will continue to participate in the review of the renewal application once it has been submitted to the WLWB.

Regards,

Melissa

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Subject: FW: DDULC Ekati - W2013C0005 - Mineral Exploration, Winter Road Construction, and new Camp Activities - re-Application Engagement Request for Comment

From: Patrick Clancy <Patrick.Clancy@gov.nt.ca>

Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2018 9:14 AM

To: Lee, Claudine A <Claudine.Lee@ddcorp.ca>

Subject: DDULC Ekati - W2013C0005 - Mineral Exploration, Winter Road Construction, and new Camp Activities - re-Application Engagement Request for Comment

Hi,

ENR has reviewed the subject materials and has no comment on the project at this time.

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From: Boettger, Lynn
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2018 5:48 PM
To: Mackle, Ada

From: Ballantyne, Nicholas
Sent: Wednesday, August 08, 2018 9:55 AM
To: 'FRMC Environment' <frmcenvironment@northwestel.net>
Cc: Beck, Arthur <frmcpresident@northwestel.net>
Subject: RE: Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit

Hello Shawn,

Thank you for submitting your recommendations, we will be sure to include them in our submission. DDEC would be happy to come to Ft. Res to discuss this project sometime in the near future, perhaps around mid-September? Let me know if that would work for you and we can begin to make the necessary arrangements.

Thank you,
Nick

From: FRMC Environment [<mailto:frmcenvironment@northwestel.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 3:08 PM
To: Ballantyne, Nicholas <Nicholas.Ballantyne@ddcorp.ca>
Cc: Beck, Arthur <frmcpresident@northwestel.net>
Subject: Re: Pre-Application Engagement Letter for Exploration Land Use Permit

Hi Nick,

The FRMC would like to submit its concerns and recommendations to be include as part of the record and those concerns and recommendations are listed below;

- The FRMC recommends the use of its membership for employment considerations for both summer and winter programs including Geochemical and Geophysical Surveys, Winter Road Construction, Camp Construction and Maintenance, and Heavy Equipment or Earth moving Construction opportunities,
- The FRMC would like a detailed map of all Fuel Caches including those around the camp should and when a final location be selected,
- The FRMC would like to engaged directly regarding the project and recommends a face to face meeting with DDEC and the FRMC,
- The FRMC recommends the use of the location North of Sable for the camp location.

The FRMC looks forward to having its concerns and recommendations included within the official record for the application for Land Use Permit Renewal - Exploration Activities W2013C0005.

Thank you

Shawn Mckay - FRMC Environment Coordinator

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On 07/05/18 09:29 AM, "Ballantyne, Nicholas" <Nicholas.Ballantyne@ddcorp.ca> wrote:

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05 July 2018

Re: Application for Land Use Permit Renewal – Exploration Activities (W2013C0005)

In the coming weeks, Dominion Diamond Ekati ULC (Dominion) will be submitting a Land Use Permit (LUP) renewal application to the Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board (WLWB). The application will include the same activities on the Ekati Claim block as currently included in the scope of LUP W2013C0005 which expires in October 2018. Those activities include:

- 1) Diamond drilling, large-diameter RC drilling, geochemical and geophysical Surveys,
- 2) Winter road construction,
- 3) Use of vehicles and machines including earth-moving equipment.

As part of the renewal application, Dominion will be requesting that a temporary exploration camp be added to this list of activities. The purpose of the camp is to support exploration activities including those already in the scope for LUP W2013C0005. The camp will be used for both winter and summer programs and it will be necessary for there to be a limited quantity of diesel and helicopter fuel will be stored at the exploration camp. All fuel storage sites (caches) will be removed at the end of exploration activities and any potential spills or contaminations will adhere to the approved Spill Contingency Plan. The camp will consist of wall tents and a dry for laundry/showers. The location for the camp is still being determined, however, the areas Dominion is currently proposing are north of the Sable Development or east of the main accommodations/existing camp at Ekati (see attached Figure).

As part of the renewal application Dominion is seeking your input. Please submit any comments, questions, or concerns you may have regarding this upcoming submission to the WLWB on or before **July 27, 2018** to Nick Ballantyne at 867-669-6150 or Nicholas.Ballantyne@ddcorp.ca, or to myself at 403-910-1933 extension 2401 or claudine.lee@ddcorp.ca.

Sincerely,



Claudine Lee, Head of Environment
Dominion Diamond Ekati ULC
Att.

Figure – Areas for Camp Location

