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File No: NWB2KIK0002

March 19, 2001

Ms. Gladys Joudrey Environmental Assessment Officer Nunavut Impact Review Board P.O. Box 2379 Cambridge Bay, NU X0B 0C0

Subject: De Beers Canada Exploration Inc. – Request for Screening – Amendment

The Nunavut Water Board received an application for a permit amendment on March 19, 2001 from De Beers Canada Exploration Inc. for water use and waste disposal associated with exploratory drilling at Kikerk Lake.

In accordance with Articles 12 and 13 of the *Agreement Between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada*, this project shall be screened by the Nunavut Impact Review Board to determine whether it has significant impact potential, and whether it requires review, before the application can be processed by the Nunavut Water Board.

However, NWB2KIK0002 was recently screened by NIRB according to NIRB File No:97E015N045 in March, 2000. Please determine **if** this amendment to include claim Tree 1 (see cover letter from DBCE) does **require screening** at this time. I am sending most of the application documents along with this letter. Please note that a supplementary questionnaire is still forthcoming, but I thought the attached information might already be sufficient to determine the need for screening.

If screening is necessary, please let our office know when we can expect your screening decision so that we can set our deadline for public submissions accordingly.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Rita Becker Licensing Administrator

cc. Shirley Pfister, De Beers Canada Exploration Inc.