



**NOTICE OF RELEASE OF SCREENING DECISION REPORT  
NIRB FILE NO.: 22MN025**

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**Re: Notice of Release of Screening Decision Report for De Beers Canada Inc.'s  
"Chidliak Diamond Mine" Project Proposal, Qikiqtani Region**

Dear Tracey McCaie:

Enclosed is the Nunavut Impact Review Board's (NIRB or Board) Screening Decision Report to the Honourable Minister Dan Vandal, Minister of Northern Affairs for De Beers Canada Inc.'s "Chidliak Diamond Mine" in the Qikiqtani Region, dated November 14, 2022.

The NIRB has assessed this project proposal for ecosystemic and socio-economic impacts taking into consideration the comments from relevant authorities and communities. Based on this assessment, the Board has indicated to the responsible Minister that **the proposed project should undergo further assessment best facilitated through a full environmental review** in accordance with Article 12, Section 12.4.4(b) of the *Agreement between the Inuit of the Nunavut Settlement Area and Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (Nunavut Agreement)* and s. 89(1)(a)(i) and (ii) of the *Nunavut Planning and Project Assessment Act*, S.C. 2013, c. 14, s. 2 (*NuPPAA*). Accordingly, the NIRB remains available for consultation with the Minister as necessary.

Please contact the NIRB's Executive Director, Karen Costello at (867) 983-4608 or [kcostello@nirb.ca](mailto:kcostello@nirb.ca) if you have any questions or require additional clarification.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure (1): NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 22MN025 (November 14, 2022)

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