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From: David Abernethy [<mailto:David.Abernethy@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca>]  
Sent: Tuesday, September 20, 2011 7:02 AM  
To: Dionne Filiatrault  
Cc: Bernie MacIsaac; Tanya Trenholm  
Subject: 2AM-JER0410 Shear Requests Reschedule Hearing

Good morning Dionne,

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada would support the Nunavut Water Board's decision to have the public hearing rescheduled for December 6, 2011 with a written notice distributed on October 6, 2011 and revised deadline of November 22, 2011 for written interventions; or, continuing with present hearing schedule and allowing for the submission of supporting written documentation.

However, it is noted that Minister Duncan will have to provide a determination on any renewal decision issued by the Nunavut Water Board before the Jericho Diamond Mine's water licence expires on March 1, 2012 to avoid forcing Shear to cease project activities for not having a licensed undertaking. A change in the public hearing schedule may limit the Ministers ability to extend his decision period by 45 days without an impact on the company's ability to carry out operations if that extension was required.

Regards,  
David

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