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Re: Contingency Plan Update – Tahera Diamond Corporation – Jericho Mine

On behalf of Environment Canada (EC), I have reviewed the information submitted with the above-mentioned document. The following specialist advice has been provided pursuant to Environment Canada's mandated responsibilities for the enforcement of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, Section 36(3) of the Fisheries Act, the Migratory Birds Convention Act, and the Species at Risk Act.

General:

The report was over 400 pages long, with approximately 200 being detailed written text. The information provided was good, however it would be much more useful to have a condensed version for those needing to review and use the information provided. It is recommended that a condensed version be made available as a user guide with references to more detailed information to the larger report.

In addition, EC recommends that for reviews of updated Plans that a summary of changes be provided as it is not always easy to track down the updates or changes made to the latest version of the document.

Specific:

- 1. For Table 3.2 External Emergency Contact Numbers: EC should be 766-3737 not 920-5131
- 2. Table 6.3 Spill Reporting Quantities:
 - The TDG classes should be up-dated to reflect changes to the TDG Act.
 - The following recommendations should be included in Table 6.3, Spill Reporting Quantities, to ensure compliance with the Fisheries Act, Species at Risk Act, and Migratory Birds Convention Act.

Report releases/potential releases of any size that:



- are near or an into open water;
- are near or into designated sensitive environment or sensitive habitat;
- pose an imminent threat to human health or safety; or
- pose an imminent threat to a listed species at risk or its critical habitat.

If you have any further questions regarding the foregoing please contact Savanna Levenson at (867) 669-4772 or via email at savanna.levenson@ec.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

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