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Re: <u>2AM-JER0410 – 2008 Contingency Plan Update – Tahera Diamond</u> <u>Corporation, Kitikmeot</u>

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) reviewed the 2008 Contingency Plan Update in the Kitikmeot Region, submitted to the Nunavut Water Board (NWB) by Tahera Diamond Corporation on April 2008. In conducting our review, INAC referred to the document on the NWB's FTP-site under 2AM-JER.

INAC recommends that the Nunavut Water Board take into consideration the following comments when reviewing this updated plan:

- All of the terms and conditions of the Spill Contingency Plan must be followed while the mine is in Care and Maintenance.
- All drums and tanks containing fuel and waste oil/glycol should be stored
 within the bermed fuel storage area. INAC recommends that the drums be
 placed in a lined, bermed area and on pallets to prevent them from being
 damaged, rusting and leaking.
- The entire mine site should be inspected to check for fuel/oil spills. The
 contaminated soil should be removed immediately and placed in drums
 until it can be treated or disposed off properly.
- If a spill should occur while the mine is in care and maintenance it should be reported immediately to the Spill Line (867-920-8130) as per the Spill Contingency Plan. The contact information for INAC is listed below.

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 INAC recommends that the proponent provide a detailed plan for fuel, chemical and hazardous material storage as well as inspections while the mine is not operating.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (867) 975-4568 or by email at Rumboltl@inac-ainc.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

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