

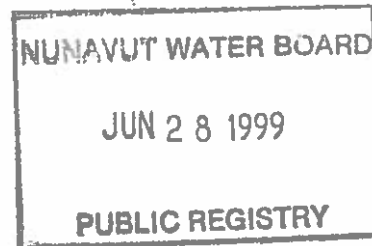
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**Re: Spill Prevention, Counter Measures and Control Plan
For the Jericho Project
NWB1JER9801**

On behalf of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Habitat Management, (DFO-HM) I have reviewed the above document for the Jericho Project. The plan will need to be revised to incorporate the stand alone option versus the satellite mining option which is covered in this document.

I offer the following comments:

Petroleum Products

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Fuel Spills on Land

Reference is made to the disposal of hydrocarbon-saturated sheeting into empty drums. *What is to happen to the drums, will they be shipped to an appropriate disposal site down south?*

Fuel Spills on Snow

Reference is made to the storage of contaminated snow on lined berms located on land. *It is recommended that the next stage of clean-up be identified. What is to be done with this snow?*

Once again there is a statement referring to the future disposal of drums containing contaminated material. ***Please provide details on where this "future disposal" is to reside.***

Chemicals

This section was developed for satellite mining activity. ***It is recommended that this section be revised to incorporate a stand alone option, which will require the storage of more reagents. This should include a detailed list of all chemicals to be stored on site, and the proper storage and handling of each chemical.***

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Spills on Land

Unsalvageable kimberlite is to be stored at the waste rock dump site at the mine. ***Has the waste rock site been identified and what containment measures will be taken to prevent runoff to the surrounding area?***

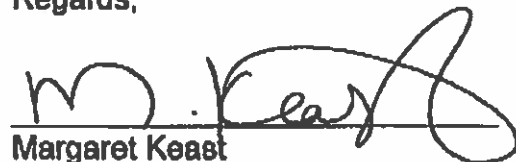
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It is recommended that the contact list be revised to reflect the potential change to a stand alone option.

Please note that none of the foregoing should be taken as authorization of the undertaking in accordance with the Fisheries Act or any other legislation.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments with respect to the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,



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Habitat Management Biologist, Nunavut Area

cc. Gary Weber, Area Manager, DFO - Nunavut Area
cc. Winston Fillatre, Fishery Officer, DFO - Nunavut Area

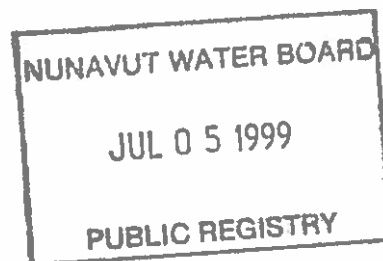
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Jericho Project Site: Spill Prevention, Counter Measures and Control Plan

I am responding to your faxed letter dated June 7th 1999 requesting comments on a Spill Prevention, Countermeasures and Control Plan submitted by Tahera Corporation.

The plan is generally sufficient for a mineral exploration camp which I understand is the type of activity currently permitted under the water license. However, the plan would be inadequate for a larger scale open pit mining project, such as that described in the May 7th 1999 Jericho Diamond Project Proposal.

I would recommend you clarify the purpose of the plan with the Tahera Corporation, as I noted on Page 5 there is reference to the transport and stockpiling of 300,000 tonnes of kimberlite ore.

Should you have questions, please call me at (867) 669-4737.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Distribution

From: Dionne Filiatrault, Technical Advisor

Subject: Spill Prevention, CounterMeasures And Control Plan

Date: June 07, 1999

Enclosed for your review is a copy of the proposed study report titled, "*Spill Prevention, CounterMeasures And Control Plan*", dated May 27, 1999 submitted by Tahera Corporation to the NWB in compliance with Part G, Item 2 of their current water licence.

The NWB would like to ensure a broad review is performed of all plans submitted to the Board and is requesting your assistance in the review of the for mentioned document and would appreciate receiving any comments and recommendations by **June 28, 1999**.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.


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