

To: Stephanie Briscoe, Nunavut Impact Review Board

From: Geoff Clark, Kitikmeot Inuit Association

Re: KIA comments on Jericho Wildlife Monitoring and Mitigation Plan

Date: April 19, 2005

## Via E-mail

Ms. Briscoe,

The Kitikmeot Inuit Association (KIA) has reviewed the Wildlife Monitoring and Mitigation Plan (the Plan) submitted to the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) by Tahera Diamond Corporation for the Jericho Diamond Mine. The KIA also reviewed the project specific terms and conditions listed in the NIRB project certificate for the Jericho Diamond mine. Terms and conditions the KIA felt relevant to this review were #3, 9, 10, 12 – 18. The KIA compared the terms and conditions related to wildlife monitoring and mitigation and compared them to the Plan prepared by Tahera Diamond Corporation.

The KIA found the Plan to be deficient, specifically in regards to monitoring. It is also difficult to comment on the appended mitigation plan without a more complete monitoring plan. In KIA's original submission to NIRB at the Jericho final hearing, KIA noted that there was a general lack of specificity to the wildlife monitoring programs in the Final EIS and the Supplemental Information. This concern remains. In addition, KIA strongly agrees with the comments of the Government of Nunavut and Environment Canada related to deficiencies in the Plan.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank You,

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