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Re: 2007 Aquatic Effects Monitoring Report – Water Quality Addendum

On June 10th, 2008 the Nunavut Water Board sent a letter requesting comments from interested parties regarding the review of the Construction Record Report East and Southeast Dams, 2007 Annual Report, and 2007 Aquatic Effects Monitoring Report – Water Quality Addendum. Environment Canada has reviewed the Water Quality Addendum and provides the following comments

Environment Canada is pleased to see that the Jericho Diamond Mine is well within the compliance limits set under the water licence. At this time EC does not see any areas of concern with the Addendum but recommends continued monitoring given the increasing concentrations of nutrients and metals developing in the pit sump water quality.

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.

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