



MEMO

To: Phyllis Beaulieu, NWB
From: Geoffrey Clark, Manager of Environment and Resource Development
Date: Nov 7, 2005
Re: Review of Jericho Waste Rock Management Plan
CC: Jack Kaniak, Lands Manager; Stanley Anablak, Lands Inspector

Dear Phyllis,

KIA thanks the NWB for allowing KIA the opportunity to respond to waste rock management plan for the Jericho Diamond Mine.

KIA represents the majority of the population in the Kitikmeot and represents the vast majority of people who use the area around Contwoyto Lake. Inuit have a special connection to the land in Nunavut and this has been affirmed in the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement. The majority of the waste rock piles of the Jericho Diamond Mine are located on Inuit Owned Lands, so KIA has an even greater interest in assuring that the management of the waste rock piles meets Inuit standards.

KIA had this plan reviewed by a professional engineer and KIA has several relatively minor comments. These comments are attached.

At the NWB Final Hearing for the Jericho Diamond Mine, KIA informed the NWB and Tahera that Kitikmeot Inuit want the waste rock piles to conform to the surrounding landscape in terms of geometry and slope angle. There does not appear to be any consideration of this in the waste rock management plan. While the slope and geometry of the waste rock piles are technically an Abandonment & Reclamation related matter, proper planning for waste rock piles prior to significant amounts of development of the

piles will reduce or eliminate any additional costs born to the proponent to meet the needs of the landowner.

Thank you,

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