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Our File: 4702 025 110 020 Your File: 2AM-JER410

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Re: Jericho Diamond Mine 2007 Closure and Reclamation Plan Update 2AM-JER410

On behalf of Environment Canada (EC), I have reviewed the information submitted for review. The following specialist advice has been provided pursuant to Environment Canada's mandated responsibilities for the enforcement of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, Section 36(3) of the Fisheries Act, the Migratory Birds Convention Act, and the Species at Risk Act.

Environment Canada has reviewed the updated plan and does not feel that there are any major concerns at this time but did have a comment regarding culverts as follows:

Section 2.6 Roads and Pads: the proponent states that the 'road culverts will be monitored during the C&M period to ensure their integrity and repairs made if required to prevent erosion into streams that cross the roads.' This should include monitoring for ice jams during the spring which may also affect the water quality due to erosion at stream crossings.

Should you have any questions regarding the foregoing or should there be any changes to the project please contact savanna.levenson@ec.gc.ca or by phone at 867-669-4772 or Anne Wilson at anne.wilson@ec.gc.ca or by phone at 867-669-4735.

Yours Truly,

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