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File No: NWB2BAF0204

April 20, 2005

Mr. Doug Winzar, Project Geologist
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Subject: De Beers Canada Inc. – North Central Baffin Project - Renewal – Type “B”

Dear Mr. Winzar:

The Nunavut Water Board (“NWB”) acknowledges receipt of your renewal application for a Type “B” water license on April 13, 2005, for water use and waste disposal associated with exploration and remote camp activities in the Qikiqtani region. All documents received, and pertaining to the application, can be obtained from our ftp site (<http://ftp.nunavut.ca>) in “nwb / NWB2EXPLORATION/NWB2BAF”. They include the following:

- Email cover dated April 13, 2005
- water license application form
- supplemental questionnaire
- project description in English and Inuktitut
- spill plan
- abandonment and restoration plan
- MSDS sheets
- Area maps

We undertook a preliminary review of your application and conclude that it meets the requirements of section 48(1) of the *Nunavut Waters and Nunavut Surface Rights Tribunal Act* (“Act”). This said, I must inform you that the NWB reserves the right to request additional information and studies pursuant to sections 48(2) of the Act or, alternatively, issue guidelines for the provision of information pursuant to section 48(3) of the Act.

This application is within an area where there is no land use plan approved in accordance with Part 5 of Article 11 of the NLCA, and is therefore not subject to the requirements of Section 38 (1) to 38 (5) of the Act.

Finally, by copy of this letter to the distribution list and the enclosed notice of application sent to the council of the municipality or municipalities most affected by your application, we invite interested persons to make representation directly to the NWB **within 30 days from the date of this letter.** Take note that included in the application is a Spill Response Plan as well as an Abandonment and Restoration Plan which require review. The NWB may provide additional procedural instructions once the application has been reviewed by interested parties.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Phyllis Beaulieu
Manager of Licensing

Enclosure: Notice of Application

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