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RE: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF LABORATORY FOR "TYPE B" WATER LICENCE #2BE-KIK0608, KIKERK/KNIFE LAKE PROJECT, WEST KITIKMEOT

In accordance with *Part J, Item 6* of the newly-issued Kikerk/Knife Lake Water Licence #2*BE-KIK0608*, I would like to request, on behalf of De Beers Canada – Exploration (DBC), that the licensee be allowed to use Enviro-Test Laboratories of Edmonton as our approved laboratory for the purpose of sample analysis.

Enviro-Test Laboratories (ETL) is a laboratory accredited by the Canadian Association for Environmental Analytical Laboratories Inc. (CAEAL), Standards Council of Canada, and has long been used by DBC for the analytical needs of its NWT and Western Nunavut projects.

I have attached for the Board's reference up-to-date certification materials consisting of: (1) a CAEAL certificate of accreditation; (2) a scope of accreditation for ETL, identifying all certified analytical procedures including those required under the new Kikerk/Knife Lake Water Licence; and (3) a table of detection limits used by ETL for analysis of standard water-sample parameters.

I trust that the Board will find all to be in order. We look forward to the Board's acceptance of ETL as the approved laboratory for sampling conducted under Licence #2BE-KIK0608.

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