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Via email: Shirley@pdiam.com

Re: Application acknowledgement for Peregrine Diamonds Ltd.'s amendment request with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada for Nanuq Diamond Exploration project

Dear Shirley Standafer-Pfister:

On October 21, 2009 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) received an application from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) for Peregrine Diamonds Ltd.'s (Peregrine) "Nanuq Diamond Exploration" project proposal. The application is for an amendment to Peregrine's Land Use Permit (LUP), in addition to a one year extension request.

Please be advised that the original project proposal (NIRB File No.: 08EN002) was received by the NIRB from Nunavut Planning Commission (NPC) on January 8, 2008. The proposal was screened in accordance with Part 4, Article 12 of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement (NLCA) and on March 28, 2008 the NIRB issued a 12.4.4(a) screening decision to the Minister of INAC indicating the proposed project could proceed subject to NIRB's recommended project-specific terms and conditions. Project components/activities included the following:

- The movement of an existing camp to a new location approximately 1 km overland
- Clean-up of abandoned camp location
- Set up seasonal camp to accommodate 20 people
- Demobilize and secure camp at the end of each field season (over winter)
- Project supported by helicopter, fixed wing aircraft and, in the spring, by snow machine
- Existing natural-sand airstrip
- On land drilling – equipment to include 2 diamond drills (Boart LF-70 and/or Boyles BBS25)
- 2 fuel caches – one at camp and one near active drill site, for combined fuel storage totals of 102,500 L diesel, 61,500 L Jet B, 1640 L gasoline, and 1125 kg propane

- Exploration activities to include: airborne and ground geophysics, surficial sediment sampling, conventional HQ-diameter core drilling, till sampling
- Anticipate a total of 2000 m drilled through core program
- Possibility for a mini-bulk sampling program (drilling of 4000 m) to obtain up to 200 t of materials, dependent upon outcome of conventional drilling program
- Consumption of water for use in camp and with drill program
- Production of wastes (human, solid, hazardous, chemical)
- Incineration of wastes
- Treatment and possible recirculation of drill and grey waters
- Backhauling and disposal of non-combustible wastes
- Abandonment and reclamation

Peregrine is proposing to extend their LUP for this project for a period of one year, until April 2011. In addition, Peregrine is proposing to amend their LUP to include an on-ice drilling component to their project proposal.

The NIRB has determined that this request may result in a change to the original scope of the project.

The INAC application and the original NIRB screening file, 08EN002 are available from NIRB's ftp site at the following link:

http://ftp.nirb.ca/SCREENINGS/COMPLETED%20SCREENINGS/ARCHIVE/2008_SCREENINGS/08EN002-Peregrine%20Diamonds%20-%20Nanuq/1-SCREENING/

Please note that Section 12.4.3 of the NLCA states that:

“Any application for a component or activity of a project proposal that has been permitted to proceed in accordance with these provisions shall be exempt from the requirement for screening by NIRB unless:

(a) such component or activity was not part of the original project proposal; or

(b) its inclusion would significantly modify the project.”

The NIRB is of the opinion that the request for the amendment is not likely to *significantly* change the general scope of the original project activities. Therefore the NIRB is *proposing* to re-issue the same terms and conditions as those in the attached March 28, 2008 Screening Decision, along with any new terms and conditions the NIRB considers appropriate. The NIRB is copying interested Parties and municipalities most affected by this project and we invite interested persons to comment directly to the NIRB by **November 6, 2009**.

The NIRB would like Parties to provide comments regarding:

- whether the proposed component or activity was a part of the original proposal;
- whether its inclusion would significantly modify the project;

- any additional mitigation measures that are appropriate; and
- any other matter of importance to the Party related to the project proposal.

Please send your comments to the attention of the NIRB's Technical Advisor, Sophia Granchinho at info@nirb.ca or via fax to **(867) 983-2594**.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (867) 983-4607 or sgranchinho@nirb.ca.

Sincerely,



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Nunavut Impact Review Board

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Attachment: Comment Forms
NIRB Screening Decision Report, File No.: 08EN002 (March 28, 2008)