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By e-mail: licensing@nunavutwaterboard.org

Re: **De Beers Canada Inc. – Prince of Whales Island, Chartrand Lake and Devon Island Exploration Project – Water Licence Renewal**

Dear Ms. Beaulieu:

The KIA would like to thank the Nunavut Water Board for the opportunity to comment on the Water Licence Renewal Application submitted by De Beers Canada Inc. for the above-mentioned Project.

For the proposed project activities occurring in the Kitikmeot Region, the KIA has the following comment:

As part of the project, the applicant plans to conduct geological sampling in the Prince of Whales Island project area and sampling and geophysics in the Chartrand Lake project area this coming field season. In subsequent field seasons the applicant purposes to drill in these areas, depending on results, and have temporary fly camps in each of these project areas to facilitate exploration activities.

The current KIA Land Use Licence held by the applicant does not permit any of the following activities on Inuit Owned Land: the use of any power driven machinery for drilling, digging, grading, or removal of earth or clearing or cutting of brush, the placement or storage on the land of any fuel in connection with commercial activity or the establishment of a campsite. Therefore, the applicant must apply for a KIA Class 2 or 3 Land Use Licence before the commencement of any drilling, the establishment of a Fly camp or fuel cache on Inuit Owned Land.

Sincerely,

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