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January 27, 2011

File: MV2001L2-0002

The Honourable John Duncan
Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
Terrasses de la Chaudière
10 Wellington Street, North Tower
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Dear Minister Duncan:

**Board Recommendation for 60 day Renewal of Type A Water Licence
De Beers Canada Inc. – Snap Lake Diamond Mine**

The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB) made a motion at the January 25, 2012 Board meeting to renew Water Licence MV2001L2-0002 for a 60-day period under s. 18(1)(a)(ii) of the *Northwest Territories Waters Act*.

The Board recognizes that section 81 of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* allows you to have up to sixty days to make your decision on the renewal licence, however Water Licence MV2001L2-0002 currently expires on April 14, 2012. In order to allow your office sufficient time to review the renewal licence, and for you to make your decision, the Board passed a motion on January 25, 2012 to renew licence MV2001L2-0002 for sixty (60) days, as per section 18 (1)(a)(ii) of the *Northwest Territories Waters Act*. The renewed expiry date is June 13, 2012.

As it is a Type A water licence, it requires your signature as stated in section 81 of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*. The MVLWB recommends your approval and signature.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Willard Hagen". The signature is stylized with a large initial "W" and a long horizontal stroke.

Willard Hagen
Chair

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Marc Casas, Regulatory Officer, MVLWB

Attachments:

- Water Licence Cover Page
- Reasons for Decision



**MACKENZIE VALLEY LAND AND WATER BOARD
WATER LICENCE**

Renewal – January 25, 2012

Pursuant to the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* and Regulations, the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board, hereinafter referred to as the Board, hereby grants to:

DeBeers Canada Mining Inc.
(Licensee)

of #300 5102 – 50th Avenue, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories X1A 3S8
(Mailing Address)

hereinafter called the Licensee, the right to alter, divert, or otherwise use water subject to the restrictions and conditions contained in the *Northwest Territories Waters Act* and Regulations made thereunder and subject to and in accordance with the conditions specified in this Licence.

Licence number: MV2001L2-0002
Licence type: A
Water Management Area: Northwest Territories 01
Location: Snap Lake, Northwest Territories
Purpose: Water Use and Waste Disposal
Description: For a Mining and Milling Operation
Quantity of water **not to be exceeded**: 188,000 cubic metres
Effective date of Licence: April 15, 2004
Expiry date of Licence: June 13, 2012

This Licence, issued and recorded at Yellowknife, includes and is subject to the annexed conditions.

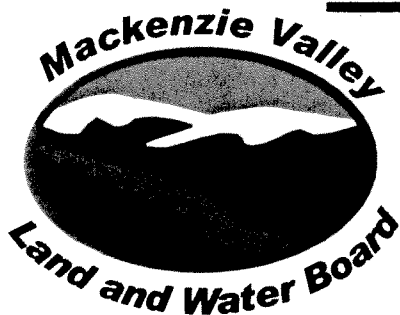
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Reasons for Decision

Preliminary Screener:	MVLWB
Reference/File Number:	MV2001L2- 0002
Applicant:	DeBeers Canada Inc.
Project:	Snap Lake Diamond Mine, NT

Decision from Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (the Board) Panel Meeting of

January 25, 2012
Reasons for Decision

Issued pursuant to section 26 of the *Northwest Territories Waters Act* (NWTWA)

Application

On June 8, 2011 DeBeers Canada Inc. submitted an application for the renewal of Water License MV2001L2-0002, which currently expires on April 14, 2012. The Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (the Board) processed the application including conducting technical sessions from September 14 to September 16, 2011 and a public hearing from December 13 to December 15, 2011. In light of the tight timelines and complicated nature of the issues raised at the technical sessions and public hearing, it is proposed that in order to draft, circulate, finalize and ultimately approve the new Snap Lake Water License inclusive of the 60 days for Ministerial approval, that a renewal to the term of the existing licence would be appropriate.

Decision

The Board approved the 60 day renewal of MV2001L2-0002 pursuant to subparagraph 18 (1)(a)(ii) of the *NWTWA*.

The Board's reasons for decision are as follows:

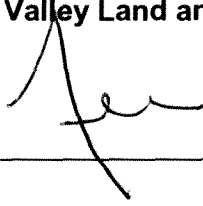
The renewal of the existing term of the license for 60 days would allow for appropriate consideration to address the following:

- comments made by reviewers and the proponent.
- provide Board staff, reviewers and the proponent an appropriate amount of time to review and provide constructive comments on the draft licence.

- Allow the Minister the full 60 days to review and make a determination on the amended water licence, pursuant to subparagraph 18 (1)(a)(ii) of the NWTWA.

SIGNATURE

Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board



Chair

January 27, 2012



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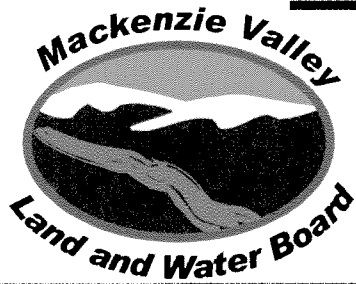
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Please see the attached documents. If you have any questions, please contact Marc Casas at (867) 766-7466 or email mcasas@mvlwb.com.

Regards,
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Good day,

Please see the attached documents regarding the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board's recommendation for a 60 day renewal for Type A Water Licence MV2001L2-0002 – De Beers Canada Inc.

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