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QIA Comments on Revised Draft Scope and Impact Statement Guidelines for DeBeers Canada Inc.'s "Chidliak Diamond Mine" Project Proposal

Cory Barker,

The Qikiqtani Inuit Association (QIA) is providing this letter as part of the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB) screening process for DeBeers Canada Inc.'s "Chidliak Diamond Mine" project (Chidliak or Project) proposed for the Southern Qikiqtani region.

Our review of NIRB's response to QIA's comments on the Draft Scope and Impact Statement Guidelines (Guidelines) reveals that the majority of QIA's comments have been addressed. However, there remain some outstanding issues, or issues that have otherwise not been addressed in full. QIA will continue its review of NIRB's Revised Guidelines and looks forward to attending the upcoming Guidelines Workshop scheduled for August 28 and 29, 2023, in Iqaluit. QIA will look to bring these outstanding issues and other pertinent matters forward for discussion at the workshop with the proponent and other parties present.

QIA looks forward to continued work with the NIRB and the Proponent toward a project that is sustainable and respectful of Inuit culture and values.

Sincerely,

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