



October 16, 2024

Mason Mantla
Chairperson
Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board
Box 32 Wekweètì, NT X0E 1W0

Dear Mason Mantla,

I am writing to inform you that Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) would like to provide participant funding in support of the Wek'èezhìi Land and Water Board's Review of Diavik Diamond Mines Inc.'s Type A Water License Renewal Application. The intent of the Northern Participant Funding Program is to help Indigenous peoples and Northerners access the resources and expertise needed to participate effectively in regulatory processes and impact assessments of major resource or infrastructure development projects in the North.

CIRNAC is inviting applications from individuals and groups seeking participant funding to take part in the Review of Diavik Diamond Mines Inc.'s Type A Water License Renewal Application for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Applications will be accepted until **11:59 p.m. (MDT) Wednesday, November 13, 2024** (see attached Public Notice). Any contribution agreement signed with CIRNAC will allow for carry forward of unused funds into the 2025-26 fiscal year, should work for the review be extended past March 31st 2025.

A Participant Funding Guide and Application Form can be accessed by contacting program staff at aidefinancierparticipants-participantfunding@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca. Program staff are happy to assist with questions relating to the application process, eligibility, timing, or expense details. Additional information can be found at the Northern Participant Funding Program webpage (<https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1545150205116/1547478360408>).

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Northern Participant Funding Program or the availability of funding to support participation in the Type A Water License Renewal, please contact aidefinancierparticipants-participantfunding@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Pawley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kim Pawley

Director, Environmental and Renewable Resources Management Directorate
Northern Affairs Organization
Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada