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Dear Mr. Evalik

We would like to extend our thanks to your staff for their assistance with our recent visit to Kugluktuk on March 15-17, 2011. Your staff kindly picked us up at the airport and provided a ride for our flight back to Yellowknife. We also had a very productive meeting with your staff in their office and now have a much better understanding of their responsibilities as land managers.

Our community open house was well attended with about 40-60 community members. Following our presentation on the Ekati diamond mine and environmental monitoring, there was a good discussion about the effects of the mine and reclamation planning. We will be putting together and distributing a short brochure based on the open house to for Kugluktuk residents in a few weeks. We also made presentations in both the elementary and high schools in Kugluktuk and were accompanied by KIA staff.

We wish to thank you again for the assistance of your staff for our visit and the hospitality shown by the community. We remain willing and able to provide information on our work and environmental performance at the Ekati mine.

Sincerely,

Bill Ross Chairperson

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cc. Ernie Bernhardt, Mayor of Kugluktuk Karl Schubert, Head of Health, Safety, Environment and Community, BHPB Ekati Diamond Mine

