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Ms. Claudine Lee, M.Sc. P.Geol. Superintendent - Environment Operations Dominion Diamond Ekati Corporation

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Re: Request for Additional Funds

Dear Claudine:

The Independent Environmental Monitoring Agency (the Agency) is writing to request additional funds from Dominion Diamond Ekati Corporation (DDEC) for fiscal year 2015-16 in the amount of \$45,000.

As you are aware, \$40,000 of the Agency's core budget is allocated to a Separate Fund. The purpose of the Separate Fund is to enable the Agency to participate in environmental assessment and regulatory matters related to Ekati's operations. As of December 1, 2015 the Agency has spent \$97,356 to participate in the Jay Project environmental assessment. This is an over expenditure of approximately \$57,000 in the Separate Fund.

This year, as in past years, the Agency is making efforts to adjust our work plan and budgeted activities to account for any excess expenditures in the Separate Fund. Despite our efforts, the Agency is currently projecting an overall year-end budget deficit of approximately \$45,000.

The Agency's By-laws state "The Society shall have no power to borrow money." We are therefore requesting an additional contribution of \$45,000 from DDEC, or approximately 7% of our 2015-16 budget, in order that we may continue to participate in planned activities and conduct reviews of programs and documents to the end of March, 2016.

Thank you in advance for considering this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

Jaida Ohokannoak Chairperson

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