

***Draft Minutes: EMAB Conference Call – November 16, 2005***

***EMAB Boardroom, Yellowknife, NT***

Erik Madsen, Diavik Diamond Mines Incorporated, Secretary-Treasurer  
Sheryl Grieve, North Slave Metis Alliance  
Jane McMullen, alternate, Government of the Northwest Territories, RWED  
Lawrence Goulet, Yellowknives Dene First Nation  
David Livingstone, alternate, Government of Canada

John McCullum, Executive Director

***Call-in***

Doug Crossley, Kitikmeot Inuit Association, Chair  
Florence Catholique, Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation, Vice Chair  
John Morrison, Government of Nunavut

***Call-in Guests (EMAB office)***

Rachel Crapeau, YKDFN  
Kathleen Racher, DIAND  
Louie Azzolini, Terra Firma  
Jim Edmondson, Terra Firma

***Absent:***

Eddie Erasmus, Dogrib Treaty 11 Council

***Minutes:***

John McCullum

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Meeting starts at 1:38

Opening prayer: Lawrence Goulet

**Item 1 Approval Agenda and Minutes**

**Agreed to focus on Items 2 and 3 only and defer other items to next Board meeting.**

**Item 2 – Comments on application**

Chair recommends beginning with presentation from Terra Firma consultants on outcome of Water Licence Renewal Review Workshop last week in Rae [summary sheet was distributed Tuesday].

Noted that lack of community workshops made it difficult for communities to raise additional issues.

General agreement with workshop summary. Final report will be provided in 10 days.

ED reviews letter and rationale

Summary of comments on letter

- Move discussion on intervener funding to beginning – agreed
- Agreed to provide any stylistic changes to ED for incorporation after meeting
- Long discussion on inclusion of some EA clauses in water licence and whether the AEMP section currently in licence is enforceable.
- Move EA clauses on involvement of Aboriginal People to “additional comments” rather than as additions to licence
- Add a section asking for guidance on making AEMP enforceable and suggest this be added to discussion on revision of AEMP
- Need specific measurable indicators or tests for compliance
- Suggest a multi-party workshop following submission of revised IARP and prior to decision to approve
- Emphasize need for ability to amend licence between hearings. EMAB will submit comments on licence duration later.

**Motion 01-05-16-11:** To approve letter commenting on Diavik water licence renewal application with the agreed amendments

Moved: Lawrence Goulet

Seconded: Sheryl Grieve

Carried unanimously

It was noted that EMAB had not dealt with coordinating the various instruments relating to Diavik.

It was agreed that EMAB would hold a teleconference after receiving the MVLWB response to EMAB’s comments to determine EMAB’s approach to the technical sessions.

<b>Action Item:</b> Schedule teleconference following MVLWB response to EMAB comments
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The issue of problems meeting the workplan deadlines and relationship to intervener funding will be followed up by the Parties.

Copy letter to Parties, DTC, and Minister of DIAND

### **Item 3 – Media response**

Follow EMAB Media Strategy. Main points to make are:

- Intervener funding
- The three expert reviews – AEMP, Dust, Abandonment & Restoration
- AEMP
- IARP

Suggestion to prepare a chronological record of what EMAB has done to prepare for the hearings.

**Further discussions:**

- DDMI should provide intervener funding; this is what happened during the original water licence review
- The MVLWB has an obligation to consult; rushed process with no resources is not consultation
- Useful to speak to media in Aboriginal languages

**Next Meeting**

December 7 – 9.

Prepare agenda ASAP

Closing Prayer: Lawrence Goulet

Meeting ended at 4:30.