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GMOB Request for Details regarding GMRP Estimated Costs

Natalie;

GMOB received the 2005 to 2038 breakdown of the Giant Mine Remediation Project cost estimate on December 8, 2022. Our goal is to complete the work of GMOB to establish a baseline for understanding and assessing the economic contribution of the Project.

After reviewing the forecasted expenditures, GMOB has the following questions.

- 1) How do the forecasted expenditures align with the Project Implementation Plan? Which line items are not a part of the PIP?
 - a. Another way to look at this question: Do the costs associated with Remediation (from 2022-23 onwards) cover all activities described in the Project Implementation Plan?
 - b. Are Common Site Services and Common Support Services costs included in the Remediation estimate?
- 2) The PIP describes 13 distinct activities, with numerous work packages associated with each activity. Where there is more than one Work Package associated with an Activity, for example, there are three work packages associated with the Tailings plan we would request the forecasted expenditure for that activity. (i.e., the full cost estimate of Tailings)

- 3) Please provide a basic description of the activities associated with expenditure line items that are not included in the PIP. In particular:
 - a. Monitoring
 - b. Program Management
 - c. PWGSC accommodation premium
 - d. Regulatory and Consultation are self-explanatory
- 4) To your knowledge, are there any activities that will require significant expenditure on Imported Goods? For this question, we are not interested in the importation of Caterpillar or Komatsu heavy machinery (as examples), but rather, any specialized equipment that might go into the Water Treatment Plant, the Freeze Plan, liners, or elsewhere. If the Project is aware of the components to be imported, this information is useful in understanding the flow of money out of the NWT and Canadian economies.

As noted in previous conversations, the data will not be shared publicly, nor would it be possible to determine the estimated cost of each work package from the results. For example, we will not report the economic effect of the Water Treatment Plant as if it were a stand-alone project. (Although the Project Team might find such details useful for its internal discussions, planning, and communications). Results from all activities will be presented as if they were a single project; that is, the total economic effect of the GMRP.

Should there be any questions regarding these requests, please contact the office. We look forward to your response.

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