

Comité d'examen des répercussions sur l'environnement et le milieu social

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MINUTES OF THE

402nd MEETING OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE

(Adopted)

402 A: March 22, 2022 402 B: March 29, 2022	
Video conference (Teams)	
Luc Lainé, Chairman	
Robert Joly, Québec John Paul Murdoch, CNG	
Sophie Cooper, Executive Secretary	
	402 B: March 29, 2022 Video conference (Teams) Luc Lainé, Chairman Daniel Berrouard, Québec Robert Joly, Québec John Paul Murdoch, CNG

1) Call to order and adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented.

2) Adoption of the minutes of the 401st meeting

The minutes of the 401st meeting were adopted as presented.

Action: Translate and file the 401st meeting minutes

3) Correspondence and follow-up action

Correspondence and follow-up action from January 26 to March 22, 2022 are presented in Appendix A.

- 4) Whapmagoostui-Kuujjuaraapik Hybrid Power Plant Project (KWREC) Ref. No.: 3219-10-001
 - a) Environmental and social impact assessment
 - **b)** Additional information
 - c) Feedback on the public hearing: Questions from the publici) For recommendation

WHEREAS the Directive on Public Participation adopted by COMEX on February 5, 2015, provides that individuals can send questions or submissions related to a project to COMEX no later than 30 days after the end of the public hearings.

WHEREAS the public had until March 23, 2022 to submit questions and comments related to the public hearing on KWREC's hybrid power plant project held in Whapmagoostui on February 23, 2022. Two questions were sent to COMEX by email.

WHEREAS COMEX will ask the proponent to address the questions in writing. Once COMEX has received the required information, it will send the proponent's responses to the requesters, along with a report on the consultation and how questions and comments from the public following the public hearing were addressed in COMEX's environmental and social impact review report.

#2022-0322-01: write to the proponent to inform it that COMEX received two questions following the public hearing and ask that the proponent respond to the questions. Once COMEX has received the required information, it will forward the proponent's responses to the requesters (questions included in the letter).

Action: Write to the proponent Send questions received following the public hearing

Meeting 402 B – held by video conference on March 29, at 9:00 a.m. Renard Diamond Project, Stornoway Diamonds Ref. No.: 3214-14-041

a) Monitoring report on EDOs for the mine water treatment facility – 2017 to 2019
i) Amendment to the CA (opinion on change to current EDOs)
ii) For recommendation

WHEREAS on September 15, 2022, the Review Committee (COMEX) received, for its opinion, the report on effluent discharge objective (EDO) monitoring at the mine water treatment facility from 2017 to 2019. This effluent quality monitoring report is a requirement of condition 2.5 of the global certificate of authorization issued for the mine on December 4, 2012. The proponent plans to submit an application for amendment of the certificate of authorization to request a change to the current EDOs.

WHEREAS the COMEX members reviewed the documents submitted by the proponent and COMEX has questions and comments for the proponent, especially since not all of the EDOs were met. Consequently, the proponent must submit, for approval, the means it intends to take to meet the EDOs.

WHEREAS COMEX will include its opinion on the modified EDOs the proponent wants to apply for the next monitoring reports.

#2022-0322-02: write to the Provincial Administrator to inform him that the COMEX members reviewed the documents submitted by the proponent and have questions and comments for the proponent (questions and comments included in the letter). COMEX will also include its opinion on the modified EDOs the proponent wants to apply for the next monitoring reports.

Action: Write to the Provincial Administrator Send questions and comments

- 6) Renard Diamond Project, Stornoway Diamonds Ref. No.: 3214-14-041
 - a) Environmental monitoring reports 2018, 2019 and 2020i) For information
 - b) Surface water and sediment quality monitoring report 2017-2019i) For information (Requirement of Condition 4.1 of the CA)

WHEREAS on December 13, 2021, the Review Committee (COMEX) received, for information purposes, the 2020 environmental monitoring report and the surface water and sediment quality monitoring report for 2017-2019.

WHEREAS the COMEX members reviewed the documents submitted by the proponent and COMEX has questions and comments for the proponent. The proponent must address the questions and comments in its next annual reports as well as in the next surface water and sediment quality monitoring reports.

#2022-0322-03: write to the Provincial Administrator to inform him that the COMEX members reviewed the documents submitted by the proponent and have questions and comments for the proponent, which the latter must address in its next monitoring reports (questions and comments included in the letter).

Action: Write to the Provincial Administrator Send questions and comments

7) Other business

a. Nadoshtin Residence

Sophie Cooper informed the COMEX members that Hydro-Québec offered to meet with COMEV, COMEX and the MELCC and CNG analysts to present the permanent housing complex planned for the temporary Eastmain-1 camp site (Nadoshtin Residence). The purpose is to briefly explain the project, summarize the application for exemption and application to amend the CA, and present the project timeline. COMEX will invite the proponent to present its project at the COMEX meeting scheduled for April 21, 2022.

b. Meeting with the Cree-Québec Forestry Board

Luc Lainé and Sophie Cooper summarize the 2nd meeting held between COMEX and Hervé Deschênes and Patrick Leveillée-Perreault, respectively chairman and executive director of the CQFB, on February 10, 2022. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of COMEX and CQFB working together on future forestry projects.

c. Research project CC22.1 – "Portrait climatique EIBJ-Nunavik-AT": Knowledge transfer activities

The members were reminded that the knowledge transfer activity will take place on April 5, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. by video conference.

d. Draft agendas for the next meetings:

- Rose Lithium-Tantalum Mining Project
- Whapmagoostui-Kuujjuaraapik Hybrid Power Plant Project
- Bachelor Mine Project
- James Bay Lithium Mine Project, Galaxy Lithium Inc.
- Extension of Route 167
- Extension of forest access roads "H" and "I"

8) Next meeting

COMEX will hold its next meeting by video conference on April 21, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Appendix A Correspondence and follow-up: January 26 to March 22, 2022						
Project	From	То	Document	Date	Action - Comments	
James Bay Lithium Mine project,	Denis Couture Galaxy Lithium	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC		Demodiation alon	Sent: December 6, 2021	For information
Galaxy Lithium (Canada) Inc. Ref. No.: 3214-14-055Maud Ablain MELCCLuc Lainé COMEXRemediation plan		Sent: February 3, 2022 Received by COMEX: February 3, 2022				
Construction of access roads L-209 North and E- West, Barrette-Chapais Itée Ref. Nos.: 3214-05-072 and 3214-05-074	Mélissa Gagnon MELCC	Michel Deshaies Barrette-Chapais Itée	Request for an update	Sent: February 1, 2022 Received by COMEX: February 3, 2022	For information	
Whapmagoostui- Kuujjuaraapik Hybrid Power Plant Project, KWREC Ref. No.: 3219-10-001	Sophie Cooper COMEX	Matthew Mukash KWREC	Minutes of the preparatory meeting	Sent: February 4, 2022 Acknowledgement of receipt: February 7, 2022		
Whapmagoostui- Kuujjuaraapik Hybrid Power Plant Project, KWREC Ref. No.: 3219-10-001	Luc Lainé COMEX	Bruno Ménard (Hydro-Québec) Anthony Ittoshat (Mayor of Kuujjuaraapik)	Invitation to the public hearing	Sent: February 8, 2022 Acknowledgement of receipt: February 10, 2022		
Whapmagoostui- Kuujjuaraapik Hybrid Power Plant Project, KWREC Ref. No.: 3219-10-001	Sophie Cooper COMEX	Matthew Mukash (KWREC) Bruno Ménard (Hydro-Québec) Chief Robbie Kawapit (Whapmagoostui First Nation)	Agenda for the public hearing	Sent: February 22, 2022		

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Forest access roads "H" and	Jocelyn Sauvageau Matériaux Blanchet	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Additional information	Sent: February 8, 2022	- For recommendation		
"I"- Phase 2, Matériaux Blanchet Itée Ref. No.: 3214-05-075	Mélissa Gagnon MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: February 16, 2022 Received by COMEX: February 22, 2022			
Dewatering of J-7 and 87 pits on the old Troilus mine site, Troilus Gold Corp. Ref. No.: 3214-14-025	Jaqueline Leroux Troilus Gold Corp.	Maud Ablain MELCC	Amendment to the certificate of authorization	Sent: February 23, 2022 Received by COMEX: February 28, 2022	For information		
Extension of Route 167 North to the Otish Mountains, MTQ Ref. No.: 3214-05-077	Danielle Fleury MTQ	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC		Sent: February 17, 2022	- For recommendation		
	Mélissa Gagnon MELCC	Luc Lainé COMEX		Sent: March 3, 2022 Received by COMEX: March 3, 2022			