



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## NWT DIAMOND MINES DONATE C\$45,000 TO SUPPORT ROCKHILL APARTMENT FIRE VICTIMS

**YELLOWKNIFE, NT (October 3, 2018)** – In the wake of the devastating fire at the Rockhill apartment building and the displacement of 33 families, De Beers Canada, Rio Tinto and Dominion Diamond Mines ULC have each pledged C\$15,000 (total C\$45,000) for the Rockhill fire fund.

Kim Truter, Chief Executive Officer of De Beers Canada: "Many of the families affected by the fire at Rockhill apartments were there for support during times of transition and personal hardship. When we saw the devastation caused by the fire, we knew we had to act because it's essential that the community pulls together at times like these."

Patrick Boitumelo, President and Chief Operating Officer of the Diavik Diamond Mine: "We were saddened to see the impact of the fire at the YWCA office and Diavik pledges its ongoing support to the YWCA community as they come to terms with the damage."

Patrick Evans, Chief Executive Officer of Dominion Diamond Mines ULC: "Dominion Diamond Mines is pleased to provide support in response to yesterday's sad event, which has impacted so many families. As is often the case in the North, when there are difficult times, the community pulls together. It is in that spirit we are proud to work with our colleagues at the other diamond mines to provide this funding. Our hearts go out to the families who were affected and the staff as they deal with this difficult situation."

The funds will be delivered to the YWCA Yellowknife. Individuals and companies who wish to support the Rockhill Fire Fund are encouraged to contribute via the YWCA's online fundraising page at Canada Helps: <a href="https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/ywcanwt/">https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/ywcanwt/</a>.

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