

Mining North



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*A Voice for the Mining
and Exploration
Industry North of 60*

NWT & Nunavut Chamber of Mines



The Mining Industry

The north is one of the largest untapped mining areas in the world. Since the first mine went into operation in the 1930s, mining has been the economic backbone of the NWT & Nunavut providing a major chunk of our GDP and employing a significant portion of our people.

Currently there are five producing mines in the NWT and Nunavut. Ekati, Diavik, Snap Lake, and Jericho are diamond mines while the Cantung is a tungsten mine. Together these mines employ over 3,000 people and in 2006 they produced over \$1.6 billion worth of minerals. Companies exploring for minerals spent over \$330,000 in the same year. Mining is the north's most important industry sector, and as new mines are discovered and developed, northerners look forward to a sustainable future in which mining plays a key role.

Who is the Chamber of Mines?

Since 1967 the NWT & Nunavut Chamber of Mines has been a voice of the mineral industry in the north. The Chamber is funded by membership companies and organizations, is governed by a board of directors, and managed by a small staff.

The Chamber acts as an advocate for mineral development and participates in numerous initiatives and projects that relate to mining. These include regulatory reforms, the Protected Areas Strategy, and mineral policy issues. The Chamber acts as a point of contact for any concerns or queries within the industry regarding land access, employment, and infrastructure development.

The Chamber supports and helps to organize the annual Mining Week celebrations, the Geoscience Forum, and the Nunavut Mining Symposium.

Why Join the Chamber?

Membership in the Chamber will allow you to keep tabs on what is going on in the mining industry. The Chamber

publishes quarterly newsletters and also emails news items to members. If you are engaged in any business in the North, you need to know what's going on in mining and exploration or you'll miss out on some exciting opportunities.

Who can Join?

Any company or organization with an interest in the mineral industry can join the Chamber of Mines. Membership is quite eclectic and currently we have over 1,000 members.

Chamber members include the north's producing mines, exploration companies, drilling and aviation companies, various suppliers, expeditors, prospectors, and a wide range of consultants serving the industry.

