

GGMC RESPONSE – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION AND FPIC

2023–2024

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For the 2023 and 2024 reporting periods, GGMC identified the following licences granted in Amerindian titled lands:

No.	File No.	Company	Application Date	Property Type	Mineral	Grant Date	Status	Amerindian Titled Land	Community Agreement Required / Received	GGMC Participation in Consultation
15	LM40: D-1003/001/21	Demerara Quarry Inc.	2021-12-13	QL	Quarriable Materials	2024-04-26	Granted	Batavia	Yes	No
16	LM41: E-1000/000/22	EKAA HRIM Earth Resources Management Inc.	2022-12-09	ML	Aggregates, Dimension Stones	2023-04-20	Granted	Batavia	Yes	No
19	GS14: L-1000/002/21	Laurentian Mountain Resources (Guyana) Inc.	2021-05-27	PL	REE, Rare Earth Elements, Radioactive Minerals	2023-04-06	Granted	Kangaruma	Yes	No
21	GS14: L-1000/001/21	Laurentian Mountain Resources (Guyana) Inc.	2021-05-27	PL	REE, Rare Earth Elements, Radioactive Minerals	2023-04-06	Granted	Tassarene	Yes	No

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Under the applicable legal framework, GGMC is not a party to the negotiations between an applicant/licence holder and an affected Amerindian community or Village Council and does not conduct or supervise those negotiations. Accordingly, GGMC does not maintain records of the detailed consultation process, including the number of participants, gender-disaggregated participation, issues raised by community members, or the manner in which those issues were negotiated or resolved.

In accordance with section 48 of the Amerindian Act 2006, the responsibility for consultation and negotiation rests with the mining applicant and the relevant Village Council. GGMC may facilitate the consultations, but may not take part in negotiations between the mining applicant and the Village Council.

GGMC may also provide general information and administrative support to assist stakeholders in understanding the statutory mining process and the applicable legal and regulatory requirements. This may include making relevant information available concerning the requirements for applications, consultations, permissions, licences and other statutory approvals, as applicable.

Such support is intended to promote transparency, access to information and adherence to the applicable statutory requirements. It does not constitute participation by GGMC in negotiations between a mining applicant and a Village Council.

GGMC receives the relevant executed agreement/documentation once the agreement has been concluded, where such documentation is required as part of the licensing process. GGMC's records can therefore establish whether the relevant documentation was submitted to the Commission, but do not constitute a record of the negotiations through which the agreement was reached.

For the licences identified above, GGMC can disclose the licensing information within its possession and the relevant agreement/documentation received in connection with the licensing process. Information concerning the conduct and substance of the community negotiations should be obtained from the parties to those negotiations.

GGMC does not independently certify that a community negotiation constituted FPIC where the negotiation was conducted by parties outside of the Commission as is the case in accordance with the statutory requirements.

Accordingly, the information requested by EITI regarding the number and composition of participants, issues raised by communities, and how those issues were considered during the negotiations is not information generated or maintained by GGMC.