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APPROVAL DATE: 09/28/2012			
PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS	ACTION PLAN	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	PROGRAM RESPONSE
1. The Assistant Deputy Minister, Northern Affairs Organization, should ensure that the proposed governance framework for the Giant Mine Remediation Project is finalized and implemented, with minutes and records of decision documented for the key governing bodies, such as the Oversight Committee and the Senior Project Advisory Committee.	The GMRP team accepts this recommendation. The proposed GMRP governance framework will be finalized, approved by the Project Leader, and fully implemented to operational status. This applies to all current governing bodies included in the proposed governance framework, specifically Senior Project Advisory Committee, Management Board, and Project Leadership Committee. Operational status for each body will include formalized and approved Terms of Reference, agenda, minutes and records of decisions (where not already ongoing).	September 27, 2012	Update/Rationale: As of 31/12/2012: Completed – September 27, 2012 The proposed Giant Mine Remediation Project (GMRP) governance framework has been finalized, approved by the Project Leader, and fully implemented to operational status. This applies to all current governing bodies included in the proposed governance framework, specifically Senior Project Advisory Committee, Management Board, and Project Leadership Committee. Operational status for each of these bodies includes approved Terms of Reference, meeting agendas, minutes and records of decisions. AES: Implemented. The recommendation will be closed. Closed.
2. The Assistant Deputy Minister,	The Giant Mine Remediation Project Team will expand the	PPA Phase Project	

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Northern Affairs Organization, should ensure that a comprehensive risk management framework (including strategic and project level risks) and a risk management plan are established for the Giant Mine Remediation Project to monitor risks on a regular basis.	scope of the risk assessment process to include technical and strategic risks and incorporate a risk management plan. This more robust risk management approach will initially focus on the current life cycle phase (PPA Phase or Phase 2b/2c – Preliminary/Detail Design) and evolve to include the total project scope before the Effective Project Approval is sought from the Treasury Board. The Risk Management Plan will be included in the Project Execution Plan (PEP) for the project.	Execution Plan: March 31, 2013 Overall GMRP Project Execution Plan: December 31, 2014	
 The Assistant Deputy Minister, Northern Affairs Organization, should ensure, as part of the Major Project Office implementation, that: Clear roles and responsibilities between PWGSC and AANDC for the Giant Mine Remediation Project are 	The GMRP team accepts this recommendation. As part of the Major Project Office implementation, the following specific actions will be taken: • The Giant Mine Remediation Project Team will finalize the draft Project Charter which lays out the roles and responsibilities.	November 15, 2012 March 31, 2013	Update/Rationale: As of 31/12/2013: Project Charter finalized: Completed - November 19, 2012

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defined, documented, communicated, agreed upon, and finalized such that the project environment can focus on optimizing, resourcing, and delivering the project in accordance with its objectives. The resulting	 The individual organizational charts for both AANDC and PWGSC will be finalized and integrated into a single GMRP organizational chart. Staffing within AANDC is underway. 	March 31, 2013 March 31, 2013	 Workshop to be conducted with key AANDC, PWGSC and GNWT members to compile single GMRP org chart: Completed - January 2013 Roles and Responsibilities to be developed from single Giant Mine Remediation Project org chart: Completed - March 2013
final organizational structure should be as streamlined as possible to support a strong and clear focus on the project. • A proper baseline schedule (prepared according to industry standards), an	 The current draft MPO Standards and Guidance Manual will be formalized, approved and implemented by the GMRP team, including PWGSC, AANDC, service providers and contractors. 		 Org chart and accountability matrix (RASCI) I have been incorporated into Project Execution Plan (PEP):
integrated project schedule, a management plan and a reporting regime are established to link all parties together into a standardized Critical Path	 A comprehensive Schedule Management Plan will be developed, which includes an integrated project master schedule for the total 	October 31, 2013	 Draft to be circulated for final review: Completed - January 2013 Draft to be updated with comments and signed by the Director of the Northern Contaminated Sites Program: Completed – Major Project Office

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	will be included in the PEP.		 GMRP Change Control process to be developed and approved: Completed – March 2013 Change Control process incorporated into PEP Chapter four: Completed - November 2013 AES: Substantially implemented. The recommendation will be closed following the roll-out of training to the GMRP team.
4. The Assistant Deputy Minister, Northern Affairs Organization, should ensure, through consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, that budget management and cost estimation practices for the Giant Mine Remediation	The GMRP team accepts this recommendation. The following actions will be implemented in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer: • A Cost-Management Plan will be developed for the overall GMRP, which includes a Master Project	December 31, 2014 (Overall GMRP)	

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 Developing a Master <i>Project Total Estimated Cost to Complete</i> document that includes a cost variance simulator, such as a 'Monte Carlo Simulation', to highlight the potential and probable deviation ranges in total cost estimates. The establishment of such a document would help to communicate key assumptions in the cost estimate and variance vulnerabilities to all project stakeholders. Incorporating multi-year requirements of future work and costs in a Master <i>Project Total Estimated Cost to Complete</i> 	Budget (Total Estimated Cost to Complete), estimate basis, assumptions and cost- management processes. This Master Project Budget will utilize probabilistic simulation techniques such as a 'Monte Carlo Simulation' to establish potential and probable estimate deviation ranges. This Cost-Management Plan will form part of the overall GMRP PEP. The Cost-Management Plan for the overall GMRP will incorporate multi-year requirements for future work, which will focus initially on the five-year period of the PPA Phase and finally for the total	March 31, 2013 (PPA Phase)	

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document based on industry best practices and the Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering International Cost Estimate Classification system. Roles and responsibilities for maintaining, reviewing, and monitoring this document should be defined and communicated.	project cost. The Cost- Management Plan shall include clear roles and responsibilities for ownership of the document.		
 5. The Assistant Deputy Minister, Northern Affairs Organization, should ensure, through consultation with the Chief Financial Officer, that the current approach to procurement management for the Giant Mine Remediation Project is strengthened by: Improving the tools and 	The GMRP team accepts this recommendation. The following actions will be implemented in consultation with the Chief Financial Officer: • A Procurement Management Plan will be developed to ensure funds that are being expended by PWGSC are achieving	March 31, 2013	Update/Rationale: As of 31/12/2013: • An Integrated Procurement Management Plan (AANDC and PWGSC) has been developed and forms part of the Project Execution Plan: Completed - November 2013

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guidance to support contract monitoring and reporting of expenditure variances and performance measures and targets.	objectives and that variances are integrated into the Giant Mine Remediation Project's Performance Measurement Strategy and reported regularly to the Project Leader and Senior Project Advisory Committee. Materiel and Assets Management Division will implement a process where the monitoring of the file will be done quarterly. As of September 4 th , all call-ups will be done by MAMD, therefore the Procurement Officers will be able to monitor all expenditure on the files. The Procurement Officer will also request adequate justification for all amendments and make sure that the checklist is completed and reviewed.	September 4, 2012 September 4, 2012	 A draft of the PWGSC Procurement Strategy is being developed and is now targeted for completion by the end of January 2014: Underway Procurement Management Plan to be integrated into the Giant PMS and reporting/dashboard process: Completed - March 2013 CFO: PROGRAM RESPONSE: Status: Request to Close - Completed Update/Rationale: As of 31/12/2013: Since September 4th 2012 (migration to the Hub model), all call-ups for the department are made by the procurement hubs. Monitoring on the expenditures against the Standing Offer is done every time a call-up is created or amended. PROGRAM RESPONSE: Status: Request to Close - Completed Update/Rationale: As of 31/12/2013:

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			The amendment request form (including checklist) is now mandatory and reviewed for every amendment and a copy is kept on file.
			AES: Ongoing. The recommendation will be closed following completion of the procurement strategy.