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57th Annual Northern Mine Rescue Competition Another Success

Yellowknife, NT (June 18, 2014) Highly trained northern mine rescue teams from the Northwest Territories and Yukon showed their skills in mock scenarios last week, ably demonstrating their preparedness should an accident occur.

Top honours went to the EKATI Diamond Mine, which took home both the Overall Surface and the Overall Underground trophies.

Over the two-day competition, five teams from four mines competed within two broad categories, surface and underground, and in a variety of skill areas including fire fighting, rope rescue, smoke, and surface and underground obstacles.

Sponsored by the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission (WSCC), the event is held as part of NWT Mining Week in Yellowknife. Winners of the Competition were announced at the awards banquet on Saturday night.

"All of the mine rescue team members are winners", said Chamber of Mines President Brooke Clements, "They train diligently and are always at the ready at their respective operations. Their honed rescue skills and dedication to safety is something all team members and the mining industry can be proud of."

Event	Top Team
First Aid	Minto Mine, Yukon
Surface Practical Bench	Minto Mine, Yukon
Fire Fighting	EKATI Diamond Mine, NWT
Rope Rescue	Diavik Diamond Mine, NWT
Surface Written Test	EKATI Diamond Mine, NWT
Underground Written Test	Snap Lake Diamond Mine, NWT
Surface Smoke	EKATI Diamond Mine, NWT
Underground Smoke	Snap Lake Diamond Mine, NWT
Underground Bench/Field Test	EKATI Diamond Mine, NWT
Surface Obstacle/Extrication	EKATI Diamond Mine, NWT
Underground Obstacle	EKATI Diamond Mine, NWT
Overall Surface	EKATI Diamond Mine, NWT
Overall Underground	EKATI Diamond Mine, NWT

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