Responses received by Fisheries and Oceans Canada during consultations in summer 2008 regarding possible listing of the Eastern High Arctic-Baffin Bay beluga population

From the Resolute Bay Hunters and Trappers Organization, on 14 July 2008:

"The Resolute Bay HTO does not support the beluga population being listed under the *Species at Risk Act*. Discussions related to this topic concluded that there is a healthy beluga population in our area. Abundant whales are observed every summer by hunters, travellers and local people. We felt that there is no need to list the belugas under the *Species at Risk Act*. Resolute Bay hunters only catch what they will eat and none is hunted commercially."

From the Taloyoak Hunters and Trappers Organization, on 21 July 2008:

"The Taloyoak Hunters and Trappers Organization Board of Directors don't want the beluga population as a Special Concern under the federal *Species at Risk Act*. The Board of Directors had a meeting on this issue and they don't want the beluga listed as a species at risk."

ᑭᒡᒍᑏᑦ ᐃᒪᕐᒥᐅᑕᓕᕆᔨᒃᑯᓐᓄᑦ ᑲᓇᑕᒥ ᑲᑎᒪᖃᑎᖃᖅᑎᓪᓗᒋᑦ ᐊᐅᔭᖅ 2008ᒥ ᐱᔾᔪᑎᒋᓪᓗᒋᑦ ᑎᑎᕋᖅᑕᐅᑐᐃᓐᓇᕆᐊᖃᕐᓂᖏᑦ ᑲᓇᓐᓇᕐᒥ ᖁᑦᑎᑦᑐᒥ ᓴᓂᕋᔭᐅᓪᓗ ᐃᒪᖓᓂ ᕿᓚᓗᒐᐃᑦ

ᖃᐅᔨᐃᑦᑐᕐᒥ ᐆᒪᔪᕐᓂᐊᑎᒃᑯᑦ, 14 ᔪᓚᐃ 2008:

"ᖃᐅᔨᐃᑦᑐᕐᒥ ᐆᒪᔪᕐᓂᐊᑎᒃᑯᑦ ᐃᑲᔪᕐᔫᖏᑦᑐᑦ ᕿᓚᓗᒐᐃᑦ ᑎᑎᕋᖃᔨᐅᔭᐅᒐᔭᕐᓂᖏᓐᓂᒃ ᐆᒪᔪᕐᓄᑦ ᓄᖑᓕᕐᓂᕋᖅᑕᐅᔪᓄᑦ ᒪᓕᒐᕐᒥ. ᑲᑎᒪᓃᑦ ᐱᔾᔪᑎᒋᓪᓗᒍ ᑖᓐᓇ ᐱᔭᕇᕈᑎᖃᔪᔪᑦ ᐃᒪᐃᓕᓪᓗᑎᒃ ᕿᓚᓗᒐᐃᑦ ᐊᒥᔫᓂᖏᑦ ᓈᒻᒪᑎᐊᖓᑕ ᓄᓇᑦᑕ ᖃᓂᒋᔭᖓᓂ. ᕿᓚᓗᒐᐃᑦ ᐊᒥᔪᑦ ᑕᑯᔭᐅᖃᑦᑕᖓᑕ ᐊᐅᔭᑕᒫᑦ ᐊᔪᕙᖅᑎᓄᑦ, ᐊᐅᓪᓚᖃᑦᑕᐸᑦᑐᓄᑦ ᓄᓇᓕᓐᓄᓪᓗ. ᐃᔪᒪᒋᔭᖃᔪᒐᑦᑕ ᑎᑎᕋᖃᔨᐅᔭᐅᔭᕆᐊᑐᙱᓐᓂᖏᓐᓂ ᕿᓚᓗᒐᐃᑦ ᐆᒪᔪᓂᑦ ᓄᖑᓕᕐᓂᕋᖅᑕᐅᕙᑦᑐᓂᒃ ᒪᓕᒐᕐᒥ. ᖃᐅᔨᐃᑦᑐᕐᒥᐅᑦ ᐊᔪᕙᖅᑎᖏᑦ ᐱᕙᒻᒪᑕ ᑭᔪᐊᓂ ᐱᔭᕆᐊᓕᒥᓐᓂᒃ ᓂᕆᓂᐊᖅᑕᒥᓐᓂᒃ ᐊᒻᒪ ᐊᔪᓕᒫᖏᑦ ᓂᐅᕿᑎᕐᓴᑐᐃᓐᓇᐅᓗᑎᒃ ᐱᔭᐅᖃᑦᑕᖏᒻᒪᑕ."

ᑕᓗᕐᔪᐊᕐᒥ ᐆᒪᔪᕐᓂᐊᖅᑎᒃᑯᑦ, 21 ᔪᓚᐃ 2008:

"ᑕᓗᕐᔪᐊᕐᒥ ᐆᒪᔪᕐᓂᐊᑎᒃᑯᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔨᖏᑦ ᕿᓚᓗᒐᐃᑦ ᐊᒥᔫᓂᖏᓐᓂᒃ ᐃᔪᒫᓗᓇᓪᓚᕆᑦᑐᓅᖅᑕᐅᕐᑯᔨᙱᑦᑐᑦ ᒪᓕᑦᑐᒍ ᒐᕙᒪᑐᖃᒃᑯᑦ ᐆᒪᔪᐃᑦ ᓄᖑᓕᕐᓂᕋᖅᑕᐅᕙᑦᑐᑦ ᒪᓕᒐᖅ. ᑲᑎᒪᔩᑦ ᑲᑎᒪᔪᒻᒪᑕ ᑕᒪᓐᓇ ᐱᔾᔪᑎᒋᓪᓗᒍ ᐊᒻᒪᓗ ᕿᓚᓗᒐᕐᓂᒃ ᑎᑎᕋᖃᔨᐅᔭᐅᕐᑯᔨᙱᑦᑐᑦ ᓄᖑᓕᕐᓂᕋᖅᑕᐅᕙᑦᑐᓄᑦ ᐆᒪᔪᕐᓄᑦ."