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Dear Jim,

Re: Special Meeting Number 12

Thank you for the agenda, revised *Ad Hoc Procedures*, and draft notice for Special Meeting Number 12, which has been rescheduled for September and October, 2006. Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated (NTI) plans to address certain issues regarding the procedure for the fall sessions under separate cover.

In this letter, I would like to seek early clarification regarding the status of the document filed by the NWMB, titled *Proposed Total Allowable Harvests and Non-Quota Limitations in the Draft 2005 Wildlife Regulations and Orders*, dated April 13, 2006.

This document assembles justification submissions that have been made by the GN to the NWMB in several filed documents, for the convenience of all parties. However, in some instances, the document goes further and offers justifications that are not found in the GN submissions. Joe Kunuk noted this in his May 4 letter to the Board on behalf of NTI.

For example, at page 9, the document suggests that Inuit harvesting could be limited by the NWMB or Minister under section 5.3.3(b) of the NLCA to any extent that this would be "necessary" to reflect the traditional character of Inuit harvesting. To NTI's knowledge, such a rationale is not contained in the GN submissions. Also, such a rationale was not mentioned in the Working Group discussions that preceded the public consultations on the proposed regulations and orders.

Please confirm how the parties should treat any justification rationales that are contained in this document but not found in the GN submissions. Does the NWMB intend to consider such rationales at the Special Meeting? If so, will they be treated as NWMB advisors' submissions to the NWMB? If they are considered NWMB advisors' submissions, what procedures will be followed to ensure that Board members consider such rationales impartially when they act as decision-makers?

Thank you for responding to this request as soon as possible. NTI needs to decide whether and how to address such additional justification rationales in its submission due on August 11.

Sincerely,

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cc Stephen Pinksen