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 Conserving wildlife through the application of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and scientific knowledge

September 30th, 2016

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Re: Written public hearing of the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board to consider the total allowable harvest for Devon Island muskox (Muskox Management Unit MX-04)

Dear Colleagues:

The Nunavut Wildlife Management Board (NWMB or Board) has scheduled a written public hearing to consider the total allowable harvest for Devon Island muskox (MX-04).

A written public hearing is one in which all submissions and supporting documentation are filed in writing, and there is no oral component. Attached to this letter is a copy of the Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment’s *Proposal for NWMB Decision* (Proposal) regarding harvest management of Devon Island muskox, including options to modify the total allowable harvest, as well as the rules for the NWMB hearing. These and additional relevant documents comprising the best available information to date are available for download from the NWMB’s website (www.nwmb.com) or by contacting the Board at the following coordinates:

NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD
 3rd Floor, Ikaluktuutiak Drive
 P.O. Box 1379, Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0
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 Email: receptionist@nwmb.com

Through this letter, the NWMB is extending an invitation to your department or organization to provide written submissions and supporting documentation, in response to the Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment’s Proposal or otherwise concerning the harvest management of Devon Island muskox. Written submissions and supporting documentation must be filed with the NWMB, in Inuktitut and English, by no later than 5:00 PM (Iqaluit time) on November 4th, 2016. The requirement for translation at time of filing is mandatory.

Subject to relevant confidentiality or privacy concerns, all submissions and supporting documentation will be placed on the NWMB’s website and will be available for download shortly after the submission deadline.

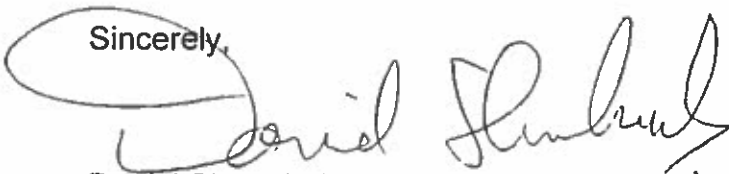
Please take careful note that, unless persuasive written and translated reasons are provided to the NWMB for late filing, the Board will not consider materials for this hearing that are not filed on time.

Submissions and their supporting documentation may be filed with the Board in person, by courier or by mail. They should be clearly marked as pertaining to the *NWMB Written Public Hearing to consider the total allowable harvest for Devon Island Muskox*. Delivery of materials may also be made through fax or electronic transmission, but only if your department or organization confirms by phone with the NWMB, prior to the filing deadline, that a complete and legible copy of the transmission has been received by the Board. Materials are deemed to have been filed on the actual day of receipt by the NWMB.

In following the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement* decision-making process, the NWMB will give the greatest consideration to the most thorough, reliable, and persuasive submissions and supporting documentation. After the deadline for delivery of written submissions, the NWMB will consider all of the relevant evidence and arguments filed and will make a decision concerning the proposed changes to the Devon Island muskox management regime, which will be forwarded to the Government of Nunavut Minister of Environment.

If you require any further information, please visit the NWMB website or contact the Board directly.

Sincerely,



Daniel Shewchuk
Acting Chairperson of the
Nunavut Wildlife Management Board

Attachments: (1) Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment *Proposal for NWMB Decision*

(2) NWMB Written Public Hearing Rules

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