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June 10, 2014

Dear Mr. Noble;

In the NWMB's letter of May 28, 2014 adjourning the Southampton Island Caribou Public Hearing, you asked that the Government of Nunavut and Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. meet to discuss any additional evidence necessary from each party for a proper determination of the Inuit Basic Needs Level (BNL) for Southampton Island Caribou.

Staff from the two organizations met on Friday, June 6, 2014 and had a positive and useful discussion. Both parties have agreed to take steps to address your requests for information, and to provide the information with our written submissions for June 27, 2014. We also agreed that there may be evidentiary/factual matters related to the hearing on which the GN and NTI can agree, and if this is possible, we will jointly submit such matters to the NWMB, and hopefully bring efficiencies to the hearing process.

NTI had previously indicated some specific information and evidence they felt should be made available, and the NWMB subsequently invited the GN and NTI to provide any additional information that the parties may have in their possession or control. .

At the meeting the GN described the logistical challenges of providing some of the requested information, but reiterated that we do have some of the information, will make

best efforts at locating further information, and will make this information available in follow up submissions.

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At this time, we do not have any additional evidence to suggest as being necessary for the hearing. However, in the process of searching and reviewing our documents, should we determine that there may be additional necessary evidence, we will notify the Board as soon as possible.

Both parties have agreed to have our legal counsel work with NWMB's legal counsel to coordinate discussions on procedural matters in preparation for the Public Hearing. I understand that our counsel has communicated this agreement to the Board, however, counsel have yet to have this meeting. It is our hope that counsel can assist in ensuring that the Board's procedures proceed efficiently and effectively.

Both parties welcome continued communications, and have agreed to meet again prior to the hearing to discuss any other items that require further discussion or clarification.

In the event I have omitted anything, or have been inaccurate, I am sure NTI officials will clarify the matter.

Regards,

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Acting Deputy Minister

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