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Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board

Peter Kusugak
Acting Chairman
Nunavut Wildlife Management Board
Iqaluit, Nunavut
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August 27, 2012

Re: Ikajutiit HTO's Request for Additional Tags

Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board had received a request from Ikajutiit HTO requesting for additional polar bear tags from their Lancaster Sound credits.

QWB Executive held a conference call, Arctic Bay's request for additional 5 tags from their Lancaster Sound Subpopulation credits was discussed and QWB Executive were provided with Department of Environment's input of the request, which QWB Executive supported Arctic Bay to receive extra tags from 25 tags to 30 tags for 2012-2013 season.

DOE has indicated other communities in Lancaster Sound population have received additional tags from their credits in the last year and the last population inventory was in 1998. Under current MOU, each community automatically accumulates credits when tags are not harvested/used at each season's end thus enabling the community for additional tags if and when supported.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our Hall Beach office at Ph: (867) 928-8430, Fax: (867) 928-8431 or email: jasonm@qiniq.com

Sincerely,

Joshua Kango
Vice-Chairman
Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board

cc: Angela Coxon, Polar Bear Harvest Technician
Jobie Attitaq, Ikajutiit HTO Chairman



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IKAJUTIT HUNTERS' & TRAPPERS' ORGANIZATION

August 20, 2012

James Qillaq
Qikiqtaaluk Regional Coordinator
Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board
Nunavut Inuit Wildlife Secretariat

Dear James:

We are writing in regards to five polar bear tags that we will be sending back to Department of Environment for August 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012. We were issued 25 tags and here are the five tag numbers as follows that we will be sending back:

- 1) 12062
- 2) 12064
- 3) 12065
- 4) 12066
- 5) 12067

Our Conservation Officer at the public meeting on September 29, 2011 Teema Padluq informed the general public at our public meeting that all 25 tags are good for a year. He did not explain that one year was from August 1 to June 30 therefore: we thought one year from the polar bear hunt date opened October 1, 2011 to September 31, 2012.

Ten tags were set aside for sport hunts, after May 1, 2012 they were not all used. Hunters' and Trappers' at their regular meeting set the remaining tags for spring and summer. Before we used all the tags up we were informed that the tags deadline was June 30, 2011 for all the 25 tags that we received in October 1, 2011.

Therefore: for this matter we are requesting 5 tags that we did not use for the new year August 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 to be added to our new 25 tags.

We look forward to good news from your department; we will wait for your response. If you have any questions please email me at hto_ab@qiniq.com or call me at (867) 439-8483.

Yours Truly,

Jobie Attitah
Chairperson

