SUBMISSION TO THE NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD March 2018

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Information: X Decision:

Issue: Development of Nunavut Fishery Regulations

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Background:

The development of the Nunavut Fishery Regulations is a long outstanding item since the Nunavut Agreement came into effect. The purpose of this information item is to highlight the renewed engagement that will lead to broader engagement with the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board and the Government of Nunavut in the coming months.

The Minister and Associate Deputy Minister have met with the President and Chief Executive Officer of Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated to discuss a way forward in the development of the Nunavut Fishery Regulations.

It was agreed that two working groups would be formed (Senior Management and technical) to aid in the development of the Nunavut Fishery Regulations.

The technical working group have had a few teleconferences leading to an in-person meeting on January 30. This meeting was positive with progress being made on a number of issues. The next in-person meeting is scheduled for the week of February 26 in Iqaluit.

It is hoped that significant progress can be made on the development of the Nunavut Fishery Regulations so that a regulatory intent can be announced by the Minister/President of NTI by July 9, 2018.

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