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Dear Mr. Kovic:

Thank you for your correspondence of June 30, 2014, addressed to the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, regarding the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board's (NWMB's) decision to approve the Integrated Fisheries Management Plan (IFMP) for the Cambridge Bay Arctic Char commercial fishery.

On behalf of the Minister, I am pleased to inform you that the NWMB's decision to approve the IFMP for the Cambridge Bay Arctic Char commercial fishery, as per Section 5.2.34(d) (i) of the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement*, is accepted.

This IFMP has been jointly led by Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) and the Ekaluktutiak (Cambridge Bay) Hunters and Trappers Organization, and has been successfully developed through the collaboration of co-management organizations, resource users and stakeholders.

The IFMP formalizes the current management measures, shared stewardship arrangements and best practices that have been in place for many years to sustainably manage the Cambridge Bay Arctic Char commercial fishery.

The fishery will be managed by the IFMP Working Group, consisting of representatives from Inuit co-management organizations, commercial fishers, community elders and youth, the local fish processing plant, Government of Nunavut and DFO, along with continued community participation.



I appreciate the Board's continued efforts towards the sustainable management of Canada's Arctic fisheries.

Sincerely,

David Burden

Regional Director General

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