



December 14, 2009

Mr. Gary A. Bohnet
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Reasons for Proposed Emergency Interim Measures for the Bathurst Caribou Herd

Dear Mr. Bohnet:

Thank you for your Department's presentation on proposed Emergency Interim Measures for the Bathurst Caribou Herd on December 10, 2009.

In a letter dated December 3, 2009, on behalf of the Board, I requested specific answers to four questions to enable the Board to understand why the Measures were being proposed. They weren't answered as part of your presentation.

The questions were as follows:

- 1) The reasons for concluding there is an emergency;
- 2) What has occurred since the proposal was submitted that created an emergency situation
- 3) Why this emergency situation wasn't anticipated at the time the proposal was submitted; and
- 4) Status of discussions with Tłıchǫ Government on this issue.

The Board would appreciate a response in writing by December 18, 2009. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Grant Pryznyk
Interim Chair

cc Board counsel

Grand Chief Joe Rabesca
Tlicho Government

Mr. Fred Mandeville
Manager of Wildlife, North Slave Region
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