



November 23, 2009

Mr. Gary A. Bohnet
Deputy Minister
Environment and Natural Resources
Government of the Northwest Territories
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Bohnet:

**Information about Consultations Conducted by the Department in Relation to the Joint
Proposal on Caribou Management Actions in Wek'èezhìi**

The issue of aboriginal consultation has been raised in an application for Intervener status by the North Slave Métis Alliance in relation to the captioned Proposal, now in the hands of the Wek'èezhìi Renewable Resources Board (the Board). The Board would like your Department to provide information on consultations conducted by the Department in relation to the Proposal. In particular, the Board requests information on Department consultations with First Nations in the North and South Slave areas. This would include any consultations with the Yellowknives Dene First Nation and any other aboriginal groups.

The Board is aware that the Department also intends to conduct public engagement meetings with resident hunters before the January 2010 hearing on the Proposal. The Board intends to send Board staff to such consultations as observers. Please contact the Board with the dates for these meetings as soon as possible.

Please send the Board any and all information related to consultations with First Nations that were conducted by your Department related to the Proposal. I look forward to receiving this information by November 30, 2009 so that it may be considered along with the material from other information requests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Grant Pryznyk".

Grant Pryznyk
Interim Chair

cc. Board Counsel