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**Re: Management Proposal for Beverly/Ahiak/Qamanirjuaq Caribou – Resident Harvesting**

Mr. Campbell:

As per the Department of Environment & Natural Resources' (ENR) letter, dated June 19, 2013, the Wek'èezhì Renewable Resources Board (WRRB) understands that ENR proposes access for resident harvesters to one bull-only barren-ground caribou from either the Beverly/Ahiak/Qamanirjuaq or Bluenose-East Caribou herds, as of the start of the 2013 resident harvest season. Further, the Board is aware that consultations with Aboriginal leadership on the management proposal are planned for the summer of 2013. In order to consider ENR's management proposal, the WRRB requests the following information be provided on or before August 30, 2013: 1) up-to-date population estimates for the Beverly, Ahiak, and Qamanirjuaq Caribou herds with confidence intervals, 2) up-to-date calf:cow and bull:cow ratios for the Beverly, Ahiak, and Qamanirjuaq Caribou herds, and 3) consultation materials from Aboriginal leadership.

The WRRB will review the management proposal during its next regularly scheduled Board meeting, September 10-12, 2013. The Board requests that the ENR Ungulate Biologist attend the Board meeting to discuss the management proposals submitted for the Beverly/Ahiak/Qamanirjuaq and Bluenose-East Caribou herds. Recommendations from the Board can then be expected on or before September 30, 2013.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please do not hesitate to call our office any time.

Sincerely,



Joseph Judas  
Chair

Cc Jack Bird, Assistant Deputy Minister, ENR  
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