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Dear Mr. Pryznyk:

### **Proceeding Schedule**

Thank you for your letter of June 4, 2010 regarding completing the Proceeding on the joint caribou management proposal (Proceeding). The Revised Joint Proposal submitted by the Tłıchǫ Government and the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) on May 31, 2010 achieves three objectives:

- Follows the Board's direction from the March 26, 2010 Wek'èezhii Renewable Resources Board (WRRB) Adjournment Ruling for the two governments to develop a new proposal filed by May 31, 2010 to address:
  - Harvest numbers
  - Allocation of harvest for both Bathurst and Bluenose-East Caribou

During our discussions on the Revised Joint Proposal, the GNWT and Tłıchǫ considered comments and presentations by intervenors provided up to and including the public hearing. As well, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) continued discussions with interveners and considered these while developing the Revised Joint Proposal. Discussions with Aboriginal groups for all three caribou herds actions outside Wek'èezhii continue.

- Elaborates on components in the ENR presentation on wolf management. The Board received submissions and heard presentations with respect to wolf management. The Revised Proposal also considers input received from interveners and reflects consensus by the Tłıchǫ Government and the GNWT on this issue.

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- Elaborates on components in the ENR presentation on bison management and reflects consensus by the Tłıchǫ Government and the GNWT on this issue.

With respect to the next and final phase of the proceeding, ENR would like an opportunity to provide Closing Remarks as soon as possible. Closing Remarks will provide an opportunity for all interveners to comment on the entire proceeding, including the Revised Joint Proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. A. Bohnet", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Gary A. Bohnet  
Deputy Minister