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Mr. Scott Paszkiewicz
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Dear Mr. Paszkiewicz:

Thank you for providing Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, as well as other Plan approving parties the opportunity to review the proposed amendment to the Sahtu Land Use Plan in advance of it being submitted for final approval. As you are aware, our directorate was copied on the Government of the Northwest Territories' November 27, 2015 letter to the Board requesting a 90-day extension to complete their review and provide comments on the proposed Plan amendment.

As part of their rationale, the Government of the Northwest Territories states that prolonging the comment period will allow more time to coordinate with other Plan approving parties. Ensuring the position of approving parties is aligned is an important step towards finalizing the amendment to the Sahtu Land Use Plan.

As such, it is the Government of Canada's expectation that the extension of the comment period will be granted to all reviewing parties to allow for any necessary consultation. I trust you will communicate the path forward once confirmed.

Sincerely,

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