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BY E-MAIL

Heather Bourassa, Chair
Sahtu Land Use Planning Board
P.O. Box 235
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Dear Ms. Bourassa:

Re: Sahtu Land Use Plan Amendment

We appreciate your invitation to The Sahtu Secretariat Incorporated (the “SSI”) to attend the meeting of the Sahtu Land Use Planning Board (the “SLUPB”) scheduled for March 22-23, 2017, in Tulita, to review its proposed amendment to the *Sahtu Land Use Plan*.

While the SSI is unable to attend this meeting, the SSI must consider any proposed amendments to the *Sahtu Land Use Plan* in order to ensure that they are consistent with the principles and objectives of the *Sahtu Dene and Metis Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement* (the “**Land Claim Agreement**”).

Furthermore, the SSI must also consider possible impacts on the affected Sahtu and Metis land corporations that own the lands retained by the Sahtu Dene and Metis under the Land Claim Agreement. In this case, the SSI has conferred with the Land Corporations and they have advised that they require additional time to make a decision.

However, I confirm that the SSI plans to convene a meeting and provide technical assistance to the land corporations, including the Norman Wells Land Corporation, FN Metis Local #60 Land Corporation and Tulita Land Corporation, with respect to the review of the proposed amendment and respond to SLUPB in the near future.

If you require further information, please contact our Executive Director, David Little, at (867) 589-4719 or by email @ ssi_exec_director@gov.deline.ca

Respectfully,

Ethel Blondin-Andrew
Chairperson