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Athabasca Denesuline Negotiation Team
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Attn: Ronald Robillard, President
Denesuline Ne' Ne' Land Corporation

Delivered By Electronic Mail

Re: Protecting Caribou in Nunavut – Nunavut Land Use Planning

Dear Mr. Robillard,

Thank you for your letter of December 11, 2013 regarding the importance of caribou in the daily lives of the Athabasca Denesuline. The Commission appreciates receiving your clear expectations regarding the management of important caribou habitat under the Nunavut Land Use Plan.

The 2011/2012 Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan is based upon the Nunavut Planning Commission's Broad Planning Policies, Objectives and Goals, the best available Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and scientific information as a basis for decisions.

The next iteration of the Draft Nunavut Land Use Plan (DNLUP) will be based upon the information we collect during the DNLUP consultation process which began October 2012. The public consultation will conclude in the spring with a public hearing to follow in November 2014.

I understand that many of our planning partners are working to compile additional information that is intended to support further analysis of a number of the land use planning issues contained in the DNLUP. Further submissions, along with your letter and DNLUP consultations will be brought into the planning process for consideration as part of the Public Hearing.

The views of the Denesuline are important to us. I will have Sharon Ehaloak, Executive Director assign a staff contact who will arrange a suitable time and location for a workshop on the DNLUP. Thank you again for sharing the views of the Athabasca Denesuline.

Respectfully,

Percy Kabloona, A/Chairperson

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