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To:	Damien Côté; Solomon Awa
Cc:	dts@nunavutwaterboard.org; "Sean Joseph"; Phyllis Beaulieu; Licensing Administrator
Subject:	RE: Quick Call - Community Representation at MRY Public Hearing
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Damien,

I am writing to again express QIA's disappointment that arrangements related to bringing community members to the hearings was not given a hire priority. During the Pond Inlet PHC QIA made its position very clear as to which communities we feel should be involved and how we could of worked with you to jointly facilitate brining community members to the hearings. Directly following Pond Inlet we met in person and made substantial offers to assist you in developing a relationship with communities, including selecting members to participate.

Working to start selecting individuals to come to hearings at this point in the process is very difficult for QIA. Would technical experts, either to the NWB or other parties be given such notice? Is the NWB going to do anything to facilitate informing the community members selected of what their role will be, where NWB is in the process, how community perspectives can provide input into/enhance the decisions of the NWB. The NWB is now resigned to selecting members last minute, providing no orientation, expecting comments to be on topic all in order to arrive a hearing report that will indicate to the Minister that communities were involved in the process.

Again, understanding how you may of had budgetary constraints it is not as if the hearing dates were nto in you control, it is not as if annual budgeting is not a function of the NWB and it is not as if you were unable to make other arrangements for hearings. Furthermore, even if budgetary constraints weighed so heavily into your considerations, you still could of worked to select members, educate them on your process and make it clear that final selection for hearings was subject to charter space. It would appear that none of this was undertaken and unfortunately this is all at the expense of involvement in the process you are running. From our perspective this does undermine the presence of community members. Simply put, brining 20 members from 4 communities to hearings takes a lot more work than drawing names and providing an airport departure time.

By contrast at the NIRB hearings, QIA worked for several months to assist NIRB, QIA held teleconferences and face-to-face meetings to support orientation to hearings, QIA assigned two staff members (in addition to our fulltime community coordinator serving the Mary River Project Committees) to assist with hearings from start to finish.

I can tell you that this approach will not sit well with QIA Leadership.

<u>We again commit to assisting with:</u>
- communications on logistics with community members selected - based out of our Iqaluit office
- providing you with our updated contacts lists (Mary River Project Committees, Hamlets, HTOs and youth committees)
- posting of local advertisements for the opportunity to participate - through our CLOs

<u>We will not commit to:</u>
- having additional staff at the hearings (it was determined yesterday that the hearings are too close to QIA's BOD to assign a staff member to supporting the hearings for a week. This is a work planning issue for QIA and not a capacity issue)
- filling out billet forms
- cutting/distributing per diem cheques
- community member selection

We look forward to hearing back form you as to your plans.

- Stephen.

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Hi Stephen, Solomon,

If you get a moment today, would you mind giving me a quick call. I'd like to have a preliminary chat about the logistics related to having community representation in Pond Inlet at the upcoming Mary River Project Public Hearing.

Thanks,

Damien

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