

Our File: EA1314-01

September 11, 2015

Note to File

To: Parties

Re: EA1314-01-Jay Project, GNWT letter - 2015 Bathurst caribou herd survey results

On September 8, 2015, the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) submitted a [letter](#) to the Review Board providing results of the 2015 Bathurst caribou herd survey. This information was requested by the Review Board in correspondence on August 21, 2015. Since the Review Board requested this information from a party, the September 8 letter from the GNWT will be accepted as evidence for the Jay Project public record at the time when the record is reopened and available for parties to consider in the hearings.

Public hearings for the Jay Project begin in Yellowknife September 14-16. September 15 is set aside for focussing on potential impacts from the project on caribou. On that hearing day, parties and Dominion may refer to the caribou survey information contained in the GNWT's September 8 correspondence during presentations or during questioning.

The Review Board would prefer that this new evidence is dealt with at the hearings but will allow parties and Dominion the opportunity to defer questioning and responses on this evidence until after the hearing.

The Review Board reserves the right explore the content of the September 8 submission in questions between the Review Board, parties and Dominion in a follow-up after the hearings.

Parties and Dominion can address this new evidence in their closing arguments to be submitted October 23 and October 30, respectively.

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