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MLA George Hickes Chair, Committee of the Whole Legislative Assembly 926 Sivumugiag St. Igaluit, NU X0A 3H0

# **RE: Bill 61 – Consideration in Committee – Outstanding Follow-ups**

Dear Chair Hickes.

I am writing to you as a follow up to my appearance before the Committee November 4-7, 2024, to fulfill commitments made to provide additional information on topics of interest to the members.

### Integrated Community Sustainability Plans

MLA Quggiag requested a list of the eight (8) municipalities which had not submitted Integrated Community Sustainability Plans in 2024-25. The eight communities are:

- Coral Harbour
- Igloolik
- Kugaaruk
- Kugluktuk

- Naujaat
- Qikiqtarjuaq
- Sanikiluag
- Taloyoak

## Arena Construction Dates

On November 4, 2024, MLA Savikataag requested the dates the Kimmirut and Kinngait arenas were constructed. Department officials have confirmed the Kimmirut arena was built in 2003, and the Kinngait arena was built in 1988.

## 2021 Listing of 16 Communities without Granular Crushing Equipment

On November 4, 2024, I committed to providing a list of the 16 communities listed in the 2021 survey detailing the municipalities without the necessary equipment required to produce granular material for land or road development and maintenance. Those communities were:

1. Arctic Bay

4. Grise Fiord

- 2. Kinngait
- 3. Clyde River

- 5. Sanirajak
- 7. Pond Inlet
- 8. Qikiqtarjuaq
- 9. Resolute Bay

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6. Igloolik



10.Baker Lake 11.Naujaat 12.Rankin Inlet 13. Whale Cove14. Cambridge Bay15. Kugaaruk

16.Taloyoak

Since the time of the survey, the Granular Crushing Equipment Policy and Program was implemented. In 2024-25 three communities were approved for the program; Baker Lake, Kinngait, and Pond Inlet. The callout for applications for the 2025-26 year was issued in October 2024 and five submissions were received. Three to acquire granular material and two for the procurement of granular equipment. These five applications are currently being review, scored and ranked. The department will be responding to the applicants in the coming month to communicate approved applications and coordinate procurement planning.

## Hamlet Permit Orders

On November 5, 2024, MLA Malliki expressed his appreciation for our assistance given to the Hamlet of Coral Harbour with their arena's code challenges. His line of questioning included a request for information on other community arenas that were not in code with the electrical and building codes and as the discussion continued, the requested expanded to include other community facilities where public events happen.

There currently are no municipal facilities that are under a safety order for code issues related to electrical or building codes from my department.

Both the Office of the Chief Building Official and the Office of the Chief Electrical Inspector have the authority to conduct inspections under the Building Code Act and the Electrical Protection Act respectively. These inspections most commonly occur during new construction or during renovations to existing structures. It is the obligation of building owners in Nunavut or their representative to follow all the requirements of the respective Acts, Regulations and referenced Codes and Standards. This includes applying for the permits. Once the permit application process has begun both the Office of the Chief Building Official and the Office of the Chief Electrical Inspector ensure that work being completed meets the building and electrical codes.

If you or your constituents have any questions, I encourage reaching out to the Office of the Chief Building Official and the Office of the Chief Electrical Inspector, our team would be happy to discuss or review any potential projects. They can be contacted at: building@gov.nu.ca or electricalsafety@gov.nu.ca or by calling toll free 1-844-975-5493.

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Also feel free to contact Director, Safety Services Michael Leduc, he is the Senior Manager responsible for the Office of the Chief Building Official and the Office of the Chief Electrical Inspector. He can be reached at: mleduc@gov.nu.ca or 867-975-5419.

I look forward to our discussion on Main Estimates over the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

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