Quarterly Report on the National Inuit Specific Dialogues on the Long-Term Management of Nuclear Fuel Waste (July 15, 2004 – October 15, 2004)



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Outline of July 15 – October 15, 2004 Activities

Throughout the past three months, ITK, with the help of the Inuit Landclaims Organizations, has been actively engaged in the organizing of the four regional Inuit dialogues on the Long-Term Management of Nuclear Fuel Waste.

The particulars of ITK's recent activities in preparation for these consultations will be addressed as follows:

- 1. Final selection of locations and local coordinators for the four regional consultations;
- 2. Selection of expert presenters for the regional Inuit dialogues;
- 3. General Logistics/planning/preparation for each regional Inuit dialogue (including the rental of the space for the consultation, interpreters and all necessary equipment);
- 4. Review and critiquing of Discussion Documents #1 and #2
- 5. Next Steps.

1. Final Selection of the locations and local Coordinators for the four regional Inuit dialogues

At this point three of the four local regional coordinators have been selected. We are currently still waiting to hear from the Nunavik Task Force Member with regards to a name for a local regional coordinator for the Nunavik region.

A comprehensive overview of the names of the local coordinators, the locations chosen per region, the final date selection, as well as the names of the permanent regional Task Force Members is provided in the chart listed below.

Region	Regional Inuit Land Claims Organization	Final Location Chosen	Dates Chosen	Local coordinator	Task Force Member
Nunavut	Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated (NTI)	Iqaluit	Nov. 9-10, 2004	Rosemary Ipeelie	George Hakongak/ Philippe Lavallee
Inuvialuit	Inuvialuit Regional Corporation	Inuvik	Nov. 17-18, 2004	Barbara Armstrong	Joe Thrasher/ Andy Carpenter Jr.
Nunavik	Makivik Corporation	Kuujjuak	Jan. 27-28, 2005	Not chosen yet	Robert Lanari
Labrador	Labrador Inuit Association (LIA)	Makkovik	Feb. 2-3, 2005	Carol Gear	Keith Chaulk

2. Selection of Expert Presenters for the regional Inuit dialogues

In order to select expert presenters for the National Inuit Dialogues on the Long-Term Management of Nuclear Fuel Waste, we approached a number of organizations and individuals for advice. In the end this resulted in the selection of the following individuals:

Dr. Fred Roots (who will be participating at the Nunavik and the Labrador

dialogues)

Dr. Gordon Edwards (who will be participating at the Nunavut, Inuvialuit

Settlement Region, Nunavik and Labrador dialogues)

Dr. Robert Del Tredici (who will be presenting at the Nunavut and Inuvialuit

Settlement Region dialogues)

3. General Logisitics/Planning/Preparation for each regional Inuit Dialogue (including the rental of space for the dialogue, interpreters and all necessary equipment)

Currently, PJ Akeeagok is in the process of arranging for the travel, accommodations, per diems, and honoraria arrangements for all conference participants.

We have further hired two of the four on-the-ground coordinators (for Iqaluit and Inuvik), who, in coordination with PJ Akeeagok, are in the process of arranging for the following:

- Arrangement for a meeting space for the 2-day regional Inuit dialogue (incl. equipment needs, arranging for coffee breaks, and workshop supplies);
- Arrangement for accommodations (hotel and/or billet);
- Arrangement for 2 local interpreters to be hired for the regional Inuit dialogue;
- Arrangement of an NWMO sponsored community feast on the first night of the regional Inuit dialogue;
- Supervision of the general functioning of the dialogues;
- Arrangement for the advertising of the dialogue and the setting up of a radio presentation (call-in show) of the experts on the Long-Term Management of Nuclear Fuel Waste at the local radio station.

At this point the preparations for the dialogues that are taking place in Iqaluit (Nunavut) and Inuvik (Inuvialuit Settlement Region) are well on their way to completion.

4. Review of Discussion Documents #1 and #2

We are currently in the process of reviewing discussion documents #1 and #2. We will have completed this process in the next quarter and will be submitting our reviews of these documents as part of our next quarterly report.

5. Next Steps

The work in preparation of the upcoming Inuit specific dialogue process on the Long-Term Management of Nuclear Fuel Waste in Canada is a part of an ongoing process. Throughout the upcoming quarter, this process will result in (but will not be restricted to) the following activities:

- Completion of dialogue coordination and implementation of all necessary procedures;
- Conducting of the first two dialogues in Iqaluit (Nov. 9-10, 2004) and Inuvik;
- Analysis of the findings;
- Preparation of the first two regional reports;
- Begin preparations for the dialogues, which will be taking pace in Nunavik and Labrador in January and February of 2005.