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David Scott
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Dear David

Re: BHPB Annual Environmental Report

In the spirit of the recently successful mediation and our agreement to better coordinate our community consultation requirements, we would like to suggest an improvement to BHPB's Annual Environmental Report. We believe our constructive suggestion will also lead to a more effective meeting in May 2006 where we will collectively discuss such matters.

The Agency, and perhaps others, would find it very helpful to see a listing of the community meetings conducted by BHPB where environmental matters were discussed in 2005 and in future Annual Reports. The Agency recommends that this listing should include locations, dates, number of participants, BHPB representatives present and most importantly, a summary of the issues raised by the communities and BHPB's responses. This would show more clearly how BHPB is dealing with community concerns.

We look forward to your (hopefully positive) response to our suggestion.

Sincerely,

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Bill Ross Chairperson

cc. David Livingstone, Director, Environment and Conservation, DIAND Doris Eggers, Environment and Natural Resources, GNWT Aboriginal Society Members

