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Dear Mr. Macri:

**Telecom Public Notice CRTC 2006-1,
Review of Regulatory Framework for Northwestel**

Further to your letter of May 12, 2006 I can advise you as follows.

- (1) The Government of the Northwest Territories would like the opportunity to provide an oral opening statement on July 11, the first day of the formal hearing.
- (2) The Government of the Northwest Territories intends to present oral final argument. As our limited resources will not permit us to be in full time attendance at the public hearing we would appreciate any assistance the Commission can provide that will facilitate our scheduling of this presentation. While it would be our preference to deliver oral argument in person, in the event that the hearing were to end more rapidly than anticipated we would ask for the option to deliver our argument via an audio or video connection from Yellowknife.
- (3) The Government of the Northwest Territories does not intend to file evidence or call witnesses.

Sincerely,



Mike Aumond
Deputy Minister

