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DEPUTY MINISTER APPOINTED FOR DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT

WHITEHORSE – Premier Dennis Fentie is pleased to announce the appointment of Kelvin Leary as Deputy Minister for the Yukon Department of Environment.

Leary has been a Yukon government employee since 1995. He has been Acting Deputy Minister of Environment since September this year. Prior to that, he was Assistant Deputy Minister of Operations in Environment and Director of Intergovernmental Relations in the Executive Council Office. He also has many years of experience in environment-related positions in the Yukon and federal governments and in Alberta.

Leary's appointment as Deputy Minister was effective December 8, 2006.

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