

Present:

Florence Catholique, Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation
Floyd Adlem, Canada
Eric Christensen, Diavik

Call-In

Doug Crossley, Kitikmeot Inuit Association
Claudia Haas, NSMA

Guests:

Jason McNeill, ENR

Staff:

John McCullum
Michele LeTourneau

Minutes:

John McCullum, EMAB

Meeting started at 1:45 p.m.

Welcome from Chair. Purpose of the call is to review the annual report text.

The communications coordinator noted that she has received comments from the KIA and NSMA representatives and that the ENR representative had indicated by email the report seemed fine.

The Chair gave each participant an opportunity to comment:

ENR

- Noted that ENR is responsible for *managing* wildlife and that this does not include all species
- Noted that some recommendations were responded to within 60 days, but not before March 31. This needs to be explained a bit better.
- Bio for Gavin was provided.

Canada

- Question raised about whether the AR reported on some events after March 31. Yes, but only AEMP and WEMP reviews because the reports are received March 31.

NSMA

- Question about whether AEMP can detect all changes in Lac de Gras – could this be re-worded
- Good to use the slimy Sculpin photo – lots of people have questions about what this is.

Canada

- Suggested that a glossary be included
DDMI
- No comments
KIA
- Comments were provided in writing
- Suggested that EA wording be used to show how Parties must respond to
EMAB recommendations
LKDFN
- No comments

Executive Director suggested that the letter from the Chair also include EMAB's focus on Aboriginal Involvement in 2007-08. This was agreed.

Suggestion that EMAB prepare a graphic showing how it relates to regulators, DDMI, communities etc.

Query about species used for toxicity tests of DDMI effluent.

Motion: To approve the text of the annual report as amended.

Moved: Florence Catholique

Seconded: Floyd Adlem

Carried unanimously

Request by Florence Catholique for support to attend Keepers of the Water Conference

Generally agreed that this is worthwhile. EMAB should receive a formal presentation after the conference. EMAB should also request that Florence provide a copy of any resource material or conference report.

Motion: To support Florence Catholique's request for up to \$1,400 to cover three days honorarium and two travel days to attend the Keepers of the Water Conference in Ft. Chipewyan August 15 – 17, 2008, conditional on Florence making a formal presentation on the conference at an EMAB meeting.

Moved: Floyd Adlem

Seconded: Eric Christensen

Carried unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 3 pm.