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Attn: Kevin Diebold

Dear Kevin,

As per our communications it would be a great pleasure to provide the NWT Chamber of Commerce's support to the Norman Wells and District Chamber of Commerce's letter in regards to NWT Market Housing Program.

According to the GNWT's 2017 statistics Norman Wells population 809, of that 475 was between the ages of 25-59 (59% of the population) of that population only 130 own their home (16% of the population and 27% of the "working population") and 190 rent and of this 200 are families. This means that only 67% of the population aged from 25-59 have housing. Housing at all levels is of high demand in each community and with the opportunity to have private enterprise build rental units and alleviate the demand for housing off the GNWT would be a win for Norman Wells and each community in the NT. This would bring skilled employment to the respective community for the build as well as the ability for both public and private industry to start recruiting that may have not been able to do in the past due to the lack of suitable housing which in turn increases the tax base.

The NWT Chamber of Commerce looks forward to working with the Norman Wells and District Chamber of Commerce as well as all levels of government on this critical project to the NT as a whole.

Regards,

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Renée Comeau
General Manager, NWT Chamber of Commerce

A black ink signature of Trevor Wever, consisting of a large, stylized 'T' followed by 'e' and 'e'.

Trevor Wever
President, NWT Chamber of Commerce

Cc'd: Honorable Bob McLeod, Premier of the Northwest Territories; Honorable Alfred Moses, MLA Minister Responsible for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation; Daniel McNeely, MLA