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**Oral Questions 585-18(2) and 591-18(2) Ice Road Maintenance**

This letter is to provide additional information to the Oral Questions raised on Thursday, February 16, 2017 regarding an ice road maintenance contract from Inuvik to Aklavik.

The Department of Transportation follows all applicable Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) policies to help ensure value-for-money and fairness in its contracting practices. The Department is reviewing available contracting options for the future construction and operation of the winter road from Inuvik to Aklavik. The Department anticipates expanding the scope of the current contract for the Aklavik section of the ice road, which expires on April 30, 2020, to comprise the entire ice road from Inuvik to Aklavik for future ice road construction.

Should you have additional questions on this matter, please contact the Inuvik Region Superintendent, Merle Carpenter, at 867-777-7343.

Thank you.

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