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Oral Question 549-19(2): Frontier Lodge

This letter is in follow up to the Oral Question you raised on February 11, 2021, concerning an update on the issuing of a business licence for the Łutsel K'e Dene First Nation (LKDFN) owned Frontier Fishing Lodge.

The Department of Municipal and Community Affairs has confirmed an approach with respect to existing lodges that will enable the Fire Marshal to be satisfied that adequate fire safety measures are in place. This approach consists of a checklist and guidelines to help lodge owners understand and meet the intent of minimum requirements set out in the National Building Code. In addition, we are requesting an amendment to the *Fire Prevention Regulations* to support the approach.

We believe that implementing this approach will assist the Frontier Lodge with meeting minimum requirements before the upcoming tourist season.

The cooperation of the Lodge's owners will be crucial in the approach's success. To this end, and in response to requests, we have been in contact with the LKDFN as well as Northwest Territories Tourism to schedule a meeting for to discuss the path forward. I'll stay in contact with your office in case you would like to participate.

I trust this information is helpful. I would be happy to meet with you at your convenience to discuss this issue further.

Sincerely,

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