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RESOLUTION NO. 4 RE: FRACKING

WHEREAS:

- (A) CononcoPhillips drilled two wells near Norman Wells during the 2013-14 winter using hydraulic fracturing and intends to expand its fracking operations near Norman Wells;
- (B) Husky Oil advised that its drilling activities in the Sahtu settlement area using hydraulic fracturing that was scheduled for the upcoming winter will be postponed for two years;
- (C) The Sahtu Dene and Metis need to understand the impacts on and consequences our lands, waters and wildlife resulting from hydraulic fracturing before any further fracking wells are drilled in the Sahtu settlement area;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Annual General Meeting of The Sahtu Secretariat Incorporated directs the Sahtu and GNWT to establish a joint commission to:

- 1. review, study and consider the risks and benefits of hydraulic fracturing in the Sahtu settlement area, including:
 - i. the technical, environmental, economic, and regulatory aspects of hydraulic fracturing; and
 - ii. the technical capacity and expertise of the GNWT to regulate and monitor hydraulic fracturing in the Sahtu settlement area
- seek advice from experts, stakeholders, including non-governmental organizations, and government officials from other jurisdictions with experience in the regulation of hydraulic fracturing;
- facilitate an informed public dialogue for the purpose of sharing information on the potential risks and benefits of hydraulic fracturing, as well as gathering input from the Sahtu communities and residents and others in the Sahtu settlement area; and
- 4. provide a public report, including recommendations, for the consideration of the Sahtu and GNWT before any further wells be drilled in the Sahtu settlement area using hydraulic fracturing.

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