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EDMONTON, Jan. 27 - "If Imperial Oil is not able to fulfill its commitment to supply sufficient aviation fuel from its Inuvik plant to meet the original quotes designated by its customers it will make up the difference at no additional cost to the customer", R. E. Landry, regional marketing manager said here today.

Mr. Landry stated also that, "Contrary to reports, Imperial increased its storage capacity for aviation fuel at Inuvik by 350,000 gallons in 1969. He said construction of the additional tankage was completed in September of last year. The available storage at that time, he said was sufficient to handle the designated requirements of all customers. At the same time, he continued, additional gallonage was placed in storage to handle the estimated requirements of itinerate aircraft."

Mr. Landry went on to say that all customers were asked to submit estimates for their requirements for the freeze-up period of 1969-70 last spring and that estimates were accepted up until June, 1969. At that time the total gallonage was calculated and orders placed for its shipment into the Inuvik storage. The company was unable to accept revised estimates from customers after June and customers were so advised.

Mr. Landry indicated that while the company is prepared to absorb extra shipping charges should it be necessary to bring supplies in by air to meet customer's designated quotas

no penalty charge is made to customers who fail to utilize their entire quota.

In anticipation of a much increased demand for aviation fuel in the coming year Imperial has already written to customers of the Inuvik base asking to designate their requirements for the 1970-71 season, he said. Mr. Landry said that this anticipated increased demand for aviation fuel will require more storage capacity and preparations are now being made to call tenders for the construction of an additional 1.200.000 gallons storage capacity at Inuvik this summer.