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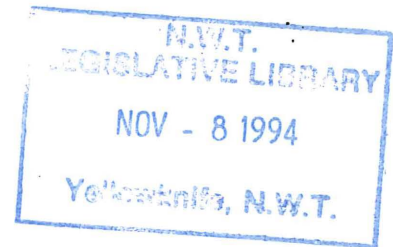


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BILL

Dene National Chief Bill Erasmus  
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Dear Chief Erasmus:

NWT Payroll Tax

On September 16, 1994 I sent you a letter to advise you that the NWT Payroll Tax Act applies to employees of the Dene Nation. In case you have not received this letter, I am enclosing a copy along with the enclosed July 28, 1994 letter from the Honourable Ronald A. Irwin, which stated that Treaty 8 Dene "do not as yet meet the criteria" to qualify for a remission of income taxes.

With the federal government's confirmation that Dene Nation employees do not qualify for a tax exemption, my expectation is that the Dene Nation will now register and remit the payroll taxes as required by the Payroll Tax Act. I have directed the governments' tax auditors to visit the Dene Nation offices to review its payroll records within the next week if we have not received your registration and remittances.

I look forward to receiving early notice of your intention to comply with the NWT's Payroll Tax legislation.

Sincerely,

John D. Pollard