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Dear Mr. Angottitauruq:

As you are well aware, on March 14, 1988, the terms of all Members of the Workers' Compensation Board expired and, as an interim measure, five Members were reappointed. For the past two years, the mining industry has been well-represented on the Board by Mr. J. Steven McAlpine, currently Acting Manager at Giant Yellowknife Mines Ltd. Thus, our Members were concerned to learn that his position on the Board has not been reconfirmed.

The mining industry is one of the major private employers in the NWT. As spokesman for the mining industry, the Chamber of Mines believes it is imperative that our industry have representation from management on the WCB. Knowledgeable experts can strengthen the decisions of the Board and add to the balance of informed decision making.

The Northwest Territories Chamber of Mines strongly urges Members of the Legislative Assembly to re-appoint Mr. McAlpine to the Workers' Compensation Board. We thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely

So Darrell E. Spilde
President

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