## WILDLIFE ACT

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## POLAR BEAR TOTAL ALLOWABLE HARVEST ORDER, amendment

Whereas the Minister has accepted a decision of the NWMB on the polar bear credits carried over from previous years;

The Minister, in accordance with the accepted decision of the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board, under sections 120, 121, 156 and 157 of the *Wildlife Act*, S.Nu. 2003,c.26, and every enabling power, makes the annexed amendment to the *Polar Bear Total Allowable Harvest Order*, C.R.Nu. R-011-2005.

- 1. This order amends the Polar Bear Total Allowable Harvest Order.
- 2. (1) Paragraph 1(5)(a) of the *Polar Bear Total Allowable Harvest Order*, is repealed and replaced by:
  - (a) the RWO has authorized the harvest under subsection (5.1) and the Superintendent has issued tags under subsection (5.2); or
  - (2) The following is added after subsection (5):
- (5.1) When an RWO receives a request to harvest the portion of the total allowable harvest (TAH) for a subpopulation and community or region that is derived from the number of polar bear credits carried over from a previous year (CR), the RWO must
  - (a) authorize the harvest and notify the Superintendent; or
  - (b) if, in the opinion of the RWO, there is a legitimate conservation concern that justifies not authorizing the harvest, refer the matter to the NWMB.
- (5.2) When the Superintendent receives a notification under paragraph (5.1)(a), the Superintendent must
  - (a) subject to subsection (6), issue the polar bear tags for the authorized harvest; or
  - (b) if, in the opinion of the Superintendent, there is a legitimate conservation concern that justifies not issuing the polar bear tags, refer the matter to the NWMB.

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