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Dear Ms. Mablik,

Currently, myself and colleagues at the University of Manitoba (UofM) and Arctic Eider Society are seeking funding from Polar Knowledge Canada to extend a highly successful community-driven and scientific sea-ice and oceanography research program to Chesterfield Inlet and, if supported, to Naujaat. This program has been successful in eastern Hudson Bay communities of Sanikiluaq, Kuujuaraapik, Inukjuak, Chisasibi, and Umiujaq.

Hunters in Chesterfield Inlet have expressed their concern about unpredictable sea-ice, limiting hunting and travel near the community. Hunters in Chesterfield Inlet have also noticed changes in the presence of marine mammals, which may be linked to changes in sea-ice cover. Aqigiq HTO members are supportive and actively involved in the development this project, which will employ hunters to conduct measurements on sea-ice and collect marine water samples while out hunting.

We recognize that there is a close connection between the communities of Chesterfield Inlet and Naujaat, and the importance of the marine environment near both communities for subsistence hunting and travel. We would like to know if the Arviq HTO would be interested in supporting and being involved in the development of this project in your community of Naujaat. We welcome input and suggestions as to how this research-monitoring program could be designed to address specific concerns related to sea-ice and the marine waters near your community.

Please review with HTO members, and return the attached response form (see page 3) by **Tuesday March 14**. I understand that this is a very short timeline and we appreciate your consideration. If you would like to discuss further or have any questions, I would be happy to chat over telephone or answer any questions via email.

Sincerely,
Michelle Kamula
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