SECTION 8

Naskapi Local Authority over Category IB-N Lands

8.1 The Category IB-N lands shall be constituted as a municipality. The Naskapis of Québec shall be incorporated as a municipal corporation that shall exercise the jurisdiction conferred upon it pursuant to the present section over the Category IB-N lands.

8.2 The municipal corporation shall be represented on the council of the Kativik Regional Government, established pursuant to Section 13 of the James Bay and Northern Québec Agreement, by the mayor of the municipal corporation, who shall be a regional councilor within the meaning of said Section 13.

8.3 The council of the municipal corporation shall be composed of the persons in office as members of the council of the corporation having jurisdiction over Category IA-N lands.

However, if any such person is not resident on Category I-N lands, such a person cannot be a member of the council of the municipal corporation. If a member of the council of the municipal corporation ceases, during the term of his mandate, to be resident on Category I-N lands, he shall retain his office until the expiration of such term.

If a vacancy should occur in the council of the municipal corporation, the remaining members of the council shall fill such vacancy by appointing to the council a person resident on Category I-N lands.

8.4 The language of communication of the municipal corporation shall be in accordance with the laws of general application in Québec. In addition, every person may address the municipal corporation in Naskapi and the municipal corporation shall ensure that such person can obtain available services from and can communicate with it in Naskapi.

8.4.1 In the sittings of the council of the municipal corporation, whoever has a right to be heard may use Naskapi at his option.

8.4.2 The council of the municipal corporation shall have the right to make copies of its books, records, notices and proceedings or extracts thereof, of the said corporation, in Naskapi.