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Call for Nominations Launched North of 60° Arctic Islands of Nunavut

The Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development hereby calls for the submission of nominations for Crown reserve lands north of 60° in the region described below. Please refer to our website for the complete Call for Nominations package: www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/nth/og/.

Posting requests for the Arctic Islands of Nunavut must be received at the latest on February 25, 2010 by 4 p.m. E.T.; and should be addressed to the attention of: Oil and Gas Management Directorate, Northern Oil and Gas Branch, fax: (819) 953-5828.

All posting requests must be described in accordance with the *Guidelines for Posting Parcels North of Latitude 60° N*. Each parcel posted must comprise laterally or diagonally contiguous lands. Lands currently under licence which revert to Crown reserve status during the course of this Call for Nominations may also be nominated. Please check our website at:

<u>www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/nth/og/rm/ra/mra/index-eng.asp</u>, as this site will list any changes to licences such as surrenders and terminations, and is updated frequently.

All Aboriginal subsurface lands, pursuant to the land claim settlement agreements, are excluded from the lands available for posting. The boundaries of parcels posted for lands that either abut or surround these subsurface lands may be described by simple exclusion.

2009-2010 Arctic Islands of Nunavut (AIN)

The maximum size of any posting request between latitude 75° N and latitude 78° N is eight grids. The block size north of latitude 78°N should not exceed 216,080 hectares in area (which is equivalent to eight (8) grids at 75°N).

Posting requests received at the latest on February 25, 2010 by 4 p.m. E.T., will be considered by the Minister for inclusion in a call for bids. Requests should be clearly labelled as the "2009-2010 Arctic Islands of Nunavut Request for Posting".

Calls for Bids

Should nominations be received, calls for bids may be launched in early March 2010. Proposed terms and conditions of a subsequent call for bids are available on the Northern Oil and Gas Branch website at:

www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/nth/og/rm/ri/sd/trmBN10-eng.asp. The term of exploration licences that would be issued in a subsequent call for bids will be nine (9) years consisting of two consecutive periods of six (6) and three (3) years.

Note: This Bulletin is for information purposes only. Terms and conditions are described in the appropriate call document.



