GOVERNMENT OF NUNAVUT 2006-07 SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION (Operations and Maintenance) No. 2

INTRODUCTION TO 2006- 07 SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION

Each fiscal year, the Legislative Assembly approves the Main Estimates document of the Government of Nunavut. This document shows the level of funding approved for departmental programs and services and the administrative costs associated with providing these programs and services.

During the course of any given year, increases may be required to a department's spending authority (level of funding). This is accomplished by way of a Supplementary Appropriation. They are presented to the Legislative Assembly, for approval, during regular sittings of the House.

The supplementary appropriation document is presented in the following format:

Column 1 – 2006-07 Main Estimates plus previous supplementary approvals and approved inter-branch transfers.

This column shows the original funding levels approved by the Legislative Assembly, plus approved increases/decreases included in approved inter-branch transfers.

Column 2 - Special Warrants

In certain situations, the Financial Management Board may recommend a Special Warrant to the Commissioner for advanced spending authority, to allow a department to respond quickly to a new or unforeseen need that meets the criteria of the Financial Administration Act. The criteria used is that the expenditure is urgently required, is in the public interest and the department does not have sufficient funding for the expenditure. When a Special Warrant is approved, the department has access to the funding immediately.

Column 3 - Not Previously Authorized

This column includes all those additional funding requests approved by the Financial Management Board that were not urgently required but were considered essential to the functional operation of the department. The department has access to the funding only when the Legislative Assembly approves the supplementary appropriation.

Column 4 - Total Appropriation

This column shows the revised main estimates, once the additional funding requests have been approved.

NOTE:

In certain cases, such as transfers or re-allocations of funding, departmental funding levels will decrease. This is shown in this document with the use of parentheses.