



Panel completes WCB legislative review

IQALUIT, Nunavut (January 31, 2002) – The ministers responsible for the Workers' Compensation Board of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut, Joseph Handley and Kelvin Ng, today released *Act Now*, the final report of the Legislative Review Panel.

Minister Handley of the NWT and Minister Ng of Nunavut praised the panel members for their work.

“I'm sure their task must have seemed daunting at times,” Minister Handley said. “They worked as a team and they worked hard.” Minister Ng commended the diligence of panel members. “They went into a community and literally knocked on doors,” he noted. “They held people's opinions in very high regard.”

Panel members visited nine communities in the NWT and Nunavut between March and August 2001 and sent an extensive questionnaire to stakeholders in both territories to receive input on issues important to WCB stakeholders.

The panel consisting of Chairperson Louise Vertes, Alex Stuit, Steve Petersen, Dan Halldorson, Don Yamkowy, Shona Barkley and David Simailak, was struck in December 2000 to undertake a review of workers compensation legislation in Nunavut and the NWT.

The ministers would like to receive feedback and comments. In Nunavut, comments can be sent to:

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In Nunavut, the report has been posted on the territorial government website: www.gov.nu.ca.

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