



News Release

Iqaluit Scrap Metal Cleanup Project Begins

IQALUIT, Nunavut (July 11, 2008) – Premier Paul Okalik and Elisapee Sheutiapik, Mayor of Iqaluit, were pleased to officially kick off the Iqaluit End-of-Life Vehicles (ELVs) Repatriation Program at an event held today.

The program, which will rid the city of old vehicles and scrap metal, received a contribution of \$100,000 from the Government of Nunavut. Lessons learned from the Iqaluit project will support the development of a comprehensive Nunavut-wide program.

“This is an excellent example of collaboration with the City of Iqaluit,” said Premier Okalik. “It also shows that we are taking concrete steps to rid the territory of an increasing numbers of old vehicles.”

Mayor Sheutiapik agrees. “It will take the participation of everyone to help beautify our city. I encourage residents and businesses to take part in this project.”

The City of Iqaluit is collecting material from residents at no charge. Businesses can dispose of their scrap at no cost but are responsible for transport to the collection area.

The City of Iqaluit has contracted Gestion Logistique to remove ELVs including old vehicles, snowmobiles, appliances and any other scrap metal from Iqaluit. The project is expected to be completed this summer.

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