



News Release

Premier Announces Deputy Minister of Human Resources

IQALUIT, Nunavut (June 25, 2010) – Premier Eva Aariak today announced the appointment of a new Deputy Minister of Human Resources.

Louise Wasson will be appointed the new Deputy Minister of Human Resources effective July 2, 2010. She will replace Aluki Rojas, who will begin duties as the Deputy Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs.

Ms. Wasson has been the Government of Nunavut's Director of Employee Relations since 2007. She brings administrative and management experience from a long career which, over the past 10 years, has been focused specifically on the human resource management field. Ms. Wasson has served as Manager of Employee Services for the Stanton Territorial Health Authority, and as the Senior Human Resource Planning Advisor for the Department of Human Resources in the Government of Northwest Territories. Ms. Wasson has a Master of Business Administration degree, a Financial Management Diploma, and holds a Certified Human Resources Professional designation.

"I am delighted to welcome Ms. Wasson to her new role as the Deputy Minister of my department," said the Honourable Daniel Shewchuk, the Minister for Human Resources, "Ms. Wasson has been a committed employee for the past three years and I am confident she will help guide our government towards our goal to strengthen the public service -- a priority in our mandate *Tamapta/CLC: Building our future together.*"

"It is through effective leadership and our employees' hard work that we will be able to continue to improve our government's programs and services for all Nunavummiut," said Premier Aariak. "I have already specifically discussed with Ms. Wasson the need to improve recruitment and staffing timelines, and to ensure that we provide the tools our employees need to perform to their greatest potential."

The appointment Ms. Wasson will be effective at the end of the day on July 2, 2010.

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