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GN ends state of emergency in Bathurst Inlet

Bathurst Inlet, Nunavut (August 17, 2023) – Effective 12:00 a.m., August 18, 2023, the Minister of Community and Government Services David Joanase has ended the territorial state of emergency in Bathurst Inlet, which was declared to respond to a local wildfire.

"After eight days of emergency response, and a final on-site inspection which confirmed the risks related to this fire had been mitigated, I am satisfied that the powers given to us under this declaration are no longer required," said Minister Joanase. "I would like to thank our community and industry partners who supported in seeing us through to the end of this emergency."

With the elimination of the risk to people, communities, and industry in this situation, the objectives of the declaration have been achieved. The territorial state of emergency in Bathurst Inlet was in effect from August 10, 2023, until end of day August 17, 2023.

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