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Dear Ms. Grehan:

As a follow up to your request for information from the RCMP regarding statistics related to the number of motor vehicle collisions involving moose in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, the following is submitted. Our office has completed a physical review of both the RCMP records that were provided to you initially, as well as the motor vehicle accident records from the Provincial Motor Registration Division. Also reviewed were all recorded moose vehicle accidents whereby the damage caused by the collision was less than \$1,000.00; thereby not requiring a formal written report under Provincial Legislation.

Upon conclusion of this review, we discovered that the original numbers provided to your office were not 100% correct. To clarify, over the two year period in question, there were 10 collisions involving moose not previously captured by our original report. To further explain the discrepancy, we originally reported that for 2009, there were 655 moose vehicle collisions, our review determined there were 658 for that year. In 2010, we originally reported 695 moose vehicle collisions while in fact, there were 702.

I am pleased that we were able to clarify this issue for your office; however, I would like to reiterate that the RCMP does not collect statistical information specific to moose vehicle collisions. This review was done to correct a potential error on our part in our earlier submission and involved significant resources to complete.

While these numbers are not significantly different from the numbers previously submitted to your office, we are now comfortable that they are correct and reflective of the information sought by your initial request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Noble".

R.T. Noble, Chief Superintendent
Officer In Charge
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