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### Chamber of Mines posts election guides for NWT candidates

(Yellowknife, NT – September 10, 2019) The NWT & Nunavut Chamber of Mines has posted two documents to guide candidates running in the upcoming NWT election.

- [Chamber of Mines Backgrounder and Guide for Election Candidates](#) consists of visual slides explaining why industry is so important to the NWT, describes the significant opportunity and potential which exists in the territory, and closes with recommendations on how to address the challenges to sustain and grow opportunities
- [Information for Candidates in the 2019 NWT Election](#) provides detail on 7 focus areas including:
  - access to land
  - infrastructure deficit
  - high costs
  - regulatory costs and delays
  - Indigenous governments' expectations and demands
  - public awareness; and
  - recommendation to launch a visionary investment confidence strategy

President of the Chamber of Mines, Gary Vivian said: "Economists from the Conference Board of Canada continue to forecast challenging economic times because existing mines are maturing. We are hopeful candidates will take advantage of our guides to help them build an economic plan to strengthen the minerals industry and in so doing, the entire NWT economy. We also encourage the general public to review the documents, and to ask their candidates to help."

The Chamber of Mines is participating with the NWT Chamber of Commerce in hosting several candidate forums from September 9-11 in Yellowknife to hear comments from those seeking election.

For more information on the NWT and Nunavut mining industries, please visit the website at [www.miningnorth.com](http://www.miningnorth.com) or contact Tom Hoefer, Executive Director at Tel: 867-873-5281 or email: [executivedirector@miningnorth.com](mailto:executivedirector@miningnorth.com).