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Jim Kreuger  
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Dear Mr. Kreuger,

Congratulations again on the Kivalliq Science Educators' Community (KSEC) being awarded a 2009 NSERC Award for Science Promotion in the group category.

These awards were established in 1994 to honour individuals and groups who make an outstanding contribution to the promotion of science in Canada through activities that encourage popular interest in science or develop participants' science abilities. The list of winners includes top science centres, educators, research stations, media and more. The people who do this work have an invaluable impact on encouraging youth to consider careers in science and engineering and develop skills that are vital to our country's future.

NSERC is very pleased to know that the \$25,000 grant included with this award will help KSEC continue its outstanding contributions to promoting science to young people in the Kivalliq region. Your work has already had a major impact and will continue to do so.

The activities that earned KSEC this recognition include capturing students' scientific imaginations through science fairs, camps, contests, awards and creative teacher resources. These activities aim to make science fun and relevant, preparing Inuit youth for the demands of an increasingly technological world. It is also noteworthy that your organization emphasizes the connection between science and the students' culture and heritage. The impact of this work is felt not just locally, but on the national stage when students participate in events such as the Canada-Wide Science Fair.

On behalf of NSERC, I wish you and your colleagues every success in your ongoing efforts to promote science.

Sincerely,

Isabelle Blain  
Vice-President, Research Grants and Scholarships  
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