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Access to Energy Efficiency Retrofit Programs

My questions are for the Minister of Infrastructure, who has responsibility for the Arctic Energy Alliance. Northwest Territories residents are experiencing a number of difficulties accessing energy savings programs offered through the Arctic Energy Alliance. Arctic Energy Alliance programs are so popular that funding usually runs out well before the end of the fiscal year. How is the Department of Infrastructure working with the Arctic Energy Alliance to ensure as many NWT residents as possible can benefit from the energy efficiency programs on offer, including additional funding, and:

1. Which Arctic Energy Alliance programs have run out of money before the end of the fiscal year over the last five years;
2. For those programs that have run out of funding before year end, please provide the date on which funding allocations have been fulfilled;
3. What, if any, additional funds have been provided by the Government of the Northwest Territories to the Arctic Energy Alliance to increase accessibility to their programs; and
4. What actions have the Department of Infrastructure and Arctic Energy Alliance undertaken to increase accessibility to energy saving programs for all communities and Northwest Territories residents, and more specifically, low-income families?