IN THE MATTER between **NPR LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**, Applicant, and **BRENDA TSELEIE AND PETER TSELEIE**, Respondents;

AND IN THE MATTER of the **Residential Tenancies Act** R.S.N.W.T. 1988, Chapter R-5 (the "Act")and amendments thereto;

AND IN THE MATTER of a Hearing before, **HAL LOGSDON**, Rental Officer, regarding the rental premises at **YELLOWKNIFE**, **NT**.

BETWEEN:

NPR LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

Applicant/Landlord

- and -

BRENDA TSELEIE AND PETER TSELEIE

Respondents/Tenants

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to section 41(4)(a) of the *Residential Tenancies Act*, the respondents shall pay the applicant rent arrears in the amount of one thousand three hundred ninety nine dollars (\$1399.00).

DATED at the City of Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories this 25th day of March, 2011.

Hal Logsdon Rental Officer IN THE MATTER between **NPR LIMITED PARTNERSHIP**, Applicant, and **BRENDA TSELEIE AND PETER TSELEIE**, Respondents.

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REASONS FOR DECISION

Date of the Hearing: March 22, 2011

Place of the Hearing: Yellowknife, NT

Appearances at Hearing: Maigan Lefrancois, representing the applicant

Brenda Tseleie, respondent

Date of Decision: March 22, 2011

REASONS FOR DECISION

The applicant alleged that the respondents had breached the tenancy agreement by failing to pay rent and sought an order requiring the respondents to pay the alleged rent arrears, terminating the tenancy agreement and evicting the respondents.

The applicant provided a statement of the rent account in evidence which indicated a balance of rent owing in the amount of \$2236.50. Included in that amount is the remaining \$687.50 of the required security deposit and three charges of \$50 for returned cheques, bringing the balance of rent owing to \$1339.

The applicant stated that the respondents had given notice to terminate the tenancy agreement on March 31, 2011 and stated that the notice had been accepted.

The respondent confirmed that she would be vacating the premises on March 31, 2011 and did not dispute the rent arrears.

The applicant has not provided any evidence that the returned cheque charges represent the bank charges incurred by the landlord. The returned cheque charges are therefore denied.

The tenancy agreement is made for a term to expire on November 30, 2011. Therefore any notice to terminate the agreement on an earlier date is not in accordance with the Act. The respondents'

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notice was not provided at the hearing nor was the acceptance by the applicant. I shall assume the

notice and acceptance were both made in writing and constitute a mutual agreement to terminate

the tenancy agreement pursuant to section 50 of the Residential Tenancies Act. That being the

case there is no requirement to issue an order terminating the tenancy agreement. The eviction

order is denied.

I find the respondents in breach of their obligation to pay rent and find the rent arrears to be

\$1399. An order shall issue requiring the respondents to pay the applicant rent arrears in the

amount of \$1399.

Hal Logsdon Rental Officer