IN THE MATTER between **FORT SMITH HOUSING AUTHORITY**, Applicant, and **JAMIE MCNEILL**, Respondent;

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 **FORT SMITH, NT.**

BETWEEN:

FORT SMITH HOUSING AUTHORITY

Applicant/Landlord

- and -

JAMIE MCNEILL

Respondent/Tenant

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to section 41(4)(a) of the *Residential Tenancies Act*, the respondent shall pay the applicant rent arrears in the amount of one thousand one hundred two dollars and seventy six cents (\$1102.76).

DATED at the City of Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories this 19th day of February, 2013.

Hal Logsdon Rental Officer IN THE MATTER between **FORT SMITH HOUSING AUTHORITY**, Applicant, and **JAMIE MCNEILL**, Respondent.

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REASONS FOR DECISION

Date of the Hearing: February 6, 2013

Place of the Hearing: Fort Smith, NT

Appearances at Hearing: Kevin Mageean, representing the applicant

Date of Decision: February 6, 2013

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REASONS FOR DECISION

The respondent was sent a Notice of Attendance by registered mail. At the time of the hearing

there was no confirmation of receipt but the respondent was provided with a notice from Canada

Post on January 21, 2013 that an item was available for him to pick up at the post office. The

respondent failed to appear at the hearing. In my opinion, it is not unreasonable to deem the

Notice of Attendance served pursuant to section 71(5) of the Residential Tenancies Act. The

matter was heard in the absence of the respondent.

The tenancy agreement between the parties was terminated on May 31, 2012. The applicant

retained the security deposit (\$500) and accrued interest (\$0.24) applying against rent arrears

(\$1603) resulting in a balance owing the applicant of \$1102.76. The applicant provided a

statement in evidence indicating a balance of rent owing in the amount of \$1102.76. The

applicant sought an order for that amount.

I find the statement in order and find the respondent in breach of his obligation to pay rent, I find

the rent arrears to be \$1102.76. An order shall issue requiring the respondent to pay the applicant

rent arrears in the amount of \$1102.76.

Hal Logsdon Rental Officer