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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOUR – CHURCHILL

JULY 3-4, 2019

DAY ONE JULY 3, 2019

6:00am Arrival at Winnipeg Richardson International Airport

7:30am Depart Winnipeg to Churchill (Calm Air Flight MO300)

9:30am Arrive in Churchill

10:20am **Welcome Session with Mayor, Reeve, Chiefs, and Local Chamber**

Meet and engage with local business Indigenous leaders as they introduce you to their community. Churchill is more than just the “Polar Bear Capital of the World”; learn about the opportunities available in Churchill to develop new partnerships and expand your business.

Invited speakers include Michael Spence, Mayor of the Town of Churchill; Councillor Bill Dingwall, Community Futures North Central Development; and others.

12:00am Lunch

1:00pm **Tour of Churchill Town Centre Complex**

Explore the Town of Churchill’s all-in-one complex, which is home to local government administration, a health centre, high school, swimming pool, indoor playground, curling rink, theatre, hockey arena, gymnasium and fitness centre.

2:15pm **Tour and Presentation at Port of Churchill**

Since 1931, the Port of Churchill has served as Canada’s only Arctic seaport serviced by rail, connecting western Canada’s consumers and importers to the world. Discover the Port’s logistic advantages, and learn about Arctic Gateway Group’s efforts to diversify the Port’s business and expand economic activity.

3:30pm **Tour of Cape Merry National Historic Site**

Located on the eastern shore of the Churchill River, Cape Merry National Historic Site – once called Knight’s Round Point – is a stone cannon battery built in 1746 to provide protection for the Prince of Whales Fort located across the river. The original battery was dismantled and moved to its current site in 1749, and of the original 6 cannon emplacements, only one remains today.

4:30pm **Delegate Check-in @ Lazy Bear Lodge and Delegate Downtime**

7:00pm **Networking Reception Sponsored by BDC**

Nosh and network with fellow delegates and local business, community, and Indigenous leaders.

9:30pm **Evening Concludes**

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7:00am Hot Breakfast Buffet Open @ Lazy Bear Lodge

8:40am Beluga Whale Tour (2 hours)

Hudson Bay is home to the world's largest population of Beluga Whales. Among the most vocal whales in the world, Beluga Whales – sometimes called “sea canaries” – are known for their strange, high-pitched whistles, clicking, chirping and other underwater vocalizations. Get *Up North and Personal* with these intelligent, sociable, and majestic creatures on a guided Beluga Whale tour, courtesy of Lazy Bear Expeditions.

11:30am Tour @ Churchill Northern Studies Centre

Located along the Hudson Bay at the meeting of three major biomes (marine, northern boreal forest, and tundra), the Churchill Northern Studies Centre is a year-round field station supporting scientific and social researchers. Explore the facility promoting and facilitating research and education that enhances our understanding and appreciation of natural, social, economic and cultural environments of the North.

12:15pm Lunch

2:00pm Tundra Buggy Tour with Frontiers North

Venture into the landscape in an all-terrain, official Tundra Buggy® and explore the magnificent summer tundra.

3:45pm Community Tour

Climb back onto the shuttle and explore the Town of Churchill. Experience the community and learn about opportunities for development. Along the way, see community landmarks, such as *Miss Piggy*, the beautiful murals curated by *SeaWalls Churchill*, and the *Parks Canada Visitor Reception Centre* at Churchill's VIA Rail Station.

5:30pm Delegate Dinner with Local Community Representatives @ Seaport Hotel

Delegates will have the opportunity to connect with local business, community, and indigenous leaders to dive deeper into potential partnerships and opportunities discovered.

8:00pm Arrive @ Churchill Airport

9:10pm Depart Churchill to Winnipeg (Calm Air Flight MO303)

10:50pm Arrival at Winnipeg Richardson International Airport

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