Executive Order No. 104 of 20 January 2009

Executive Order on Evaluation of Research Conducted by the Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland (GEUS)

The following provisions are laid down in pursuance of section 13(2) of Act No. 536 of 6 June 2007 on the Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland and following negotiation with the Minister for Science, Technology and Innovation:

1. This Executive Order covers evaluation of the research and research communication carried out by GEUS.

2.-(1) The GEUS board will decide when evaluations have to be made and notify this to the Minister for Climate and Energy.

(2) The GEUS board must lay down terms of reference for the research activity and research communication to be included in the evaluation. In addition to a timetable for the evaluation, the terms of reference must also include the principles of the evaluation and a description of the reporting format.

(3) The extent of evaluation will be set out in the performance contract between the GEUS board and the Minister for Climate and Energy.

3.-(1) The GEUS board appoints the evaluation panel upon recommendation from the Danish Council for Strategic Research. GEUS may propose members for the panel as a basis for the recommendation.

(2) The evaluation panel must be independent from GEUS and the Minister for Climate and Energy.

(3) The evaluation panel must have at least three members.

(4) The members of the evaluation panel must be recognised researchers, see section 2(i) of the Act on the Research Advisory System, etc., within GEUS' research areas. Together, the panel members must have knowledge about the different aspects of GEUS' tasks, including research management, GEUS' special role and possibly also management of research institutions.
(5) The GEUS board may decide that the evaluation is to be carried out by an independent Danish or international evaluation panel.

4. GEUS must ensure that all relevant information deemed important for the evaluation is produced.

5.-(1) The evaluation panel must submit a report to finalise the evaluation in accordance with the terms of reference as set out in section 2(2).

(2) The GEUS board must submit this report with the Board's comments to the Minister for Climate and Energy.

6. GEUS will provide secretariat services to the evaluation panel and pay the costs incurred in connection with the evaluation.

7. To ensure transparency and openness in the evaluation, the following material must be made available to the public at the GEUS website when available:

- 1) The terms of reference for the evaluation.
- 2) The names of the members of the evaluation panel.
- 3) The evaluation results.
- 8. This Executive Order enters into force on 13 February 2009.

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