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Mr. Patrick T. McGarry, B.Sc. Hons., M.N.R.M. Senior Environmental Assessment Officer Licensing and Environmental Assessment Transmission and Distribution Division Manitoba Hydro 820 Taylor Avenue Winnipeg, MB R3C 2P4

Dear Mr. McGarry:

Re: Bipole III Transmission Project Environmental Impact Statement

This is in response to your letter of October 23, 2012 concerning alterations in the Final Preferred Route of the above noted project. We have reviewed your proposed alteration and have solicited comments on the alteration from the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). Comments from TAC members have been placed in the public registries and provided to the Clean Environment Commission.

As the potential environmental effects resulting from the alteration will be reviewed in more detail during the ongoing Clean Environment Commission hearing on the project, approval is hereby provided pursuant to Section 14(2) of The Environment Act to implement the alteration.

Yours truly,

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