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Brian Yarmill, Manitoba Hydro Plant Programs and Environmental Support Department 360 Portage Avenue Winnipeg, MB R3C 0G8 Via Email: <u>byarmill@hydro.mb.ca</u>

Dear Mr. Yarmill:

Re: Manitoba Hydro Brandon Unit 5 Generating Station -- Notice of Alteration Environment Act Licence 1703 R

Thank you for the Notice of Alteration (NoA) you submitted on December 18, 2013 that proposes to use a monthly weighted average instead of a simple monthly average (currently being used) of the coal parameters to calculate the air emissions from the Brandon Unit-5 Generating Station operating under Environment Act Licence 1703 R. The proposed monthly weighted average to calculate the air emissions will provide a more realistic result.

I have concluded that there is no environmental effect from the NoA, and, therefore, in accordance with Section 14(2) of *The Environment Act* you are hereby authorized to carry out the alteration as described in the December 18, 2013 NoA.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Eshetu Beshada of this office at (204) 945-7023.

Yours truly,

"Originally signed by"

Tracey Braun, M.Sc. Director Environmental Approvals Branch

c: Don Labossiere, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch. Tim Prawdzik, Provincial Manager, Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch.