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Tracey Braun, M. Sc. Director, Environmental Approvals Branch Manitoba Conservation 123 Main St., Suite 160, Winnipeg, MB R3C 1A5

RE: MB Hydro – Bipole III Transmission Project – Proposed Rerouting Client File No 5433.00

Dear Ms. Braun:

MIT has reviewed the supplemental information on the proposed rerouting of the Bipole III Transmission Project and would like to raise the following concerns:

1. Red Deer River Area

It appears that the crossing over PTH 10 at Red Deer River remains unchanged. The location of tower structure from the eroded banks of Red Deer River (just south of the Red Deer River Provincial Park) would impact future highway right of way relocation to the west when required.

Based from page 40 of MB Hydro's Response dated June 22, 2012, sufficient setback will be provided to accommodate future highway relocation. We would like to clarify if this is still the case given the proposed rerouting.

For questions/clarifications, please contact Ms. Forouzandeh Kasrai at (204) 622-2307 or at <u>Forouzandeh.Kasrai@gov.mb.ca</u>.

2. Wabowden Area

The revision seems to go through a commonly used aggregate pit which runs along PR 373. The pit is located north of PR 373 approximately 8 kilometres from PTH 6. The pit would be in Sections 13 and 14, TWP 67 Rge. 9 WPM. Please see attached. Also, located north of PR 373 is a contractor's Conlin camp site, approximately 12 kilometres from PTH 6.

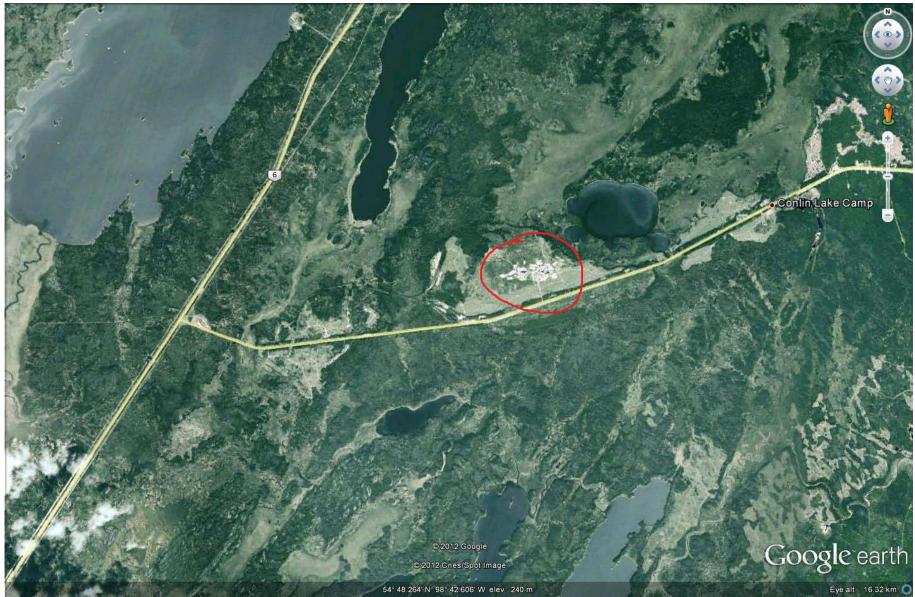
For questions/clarifications, please contact Mr. David Midford at David.Midford@gov.mb.ca.



Thank you very much for providing us the opportunity to provide further comments on Manitoba Hydro's proposed rerouting.

Sincerely,

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Aggregate pit along PR 373