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Shannon Johnson Manitoba Hydro 820 Taylor Avenue Winnipeg MB R3M 3T1

Dear Ms. Johnson:

Re: Bipole III Transmission Project – Environment Act Licence No. 3055

The Bipole III Transmission Project Construction Environmental Protection Plan - Riel Converter Station Facilities, Infrastructure and Ground Electrode submitted by Manitoba Hydro on July 3, 2014 in accordance with Clause 4 of Environment Act Licence No. 3055 has been reviewed.

Other than the permitting requirements, the pre-construction requirements of the licence for the Riel Converter Station and Ground Electrode portion of the Bipole III Transmission Project have now been satisfied. I am hereby granting approval to proceed with construction of this portion of the project.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Elise Dagdick of this office at (204) 619-0709.

Yours truly,

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Tracey Braun, M.Sc. Director

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