ATTACHMENT 2: UPDATE TO BIPOLE III PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The following information updates the information provided in Chapter 3: Project Description, section 3.5.4.8 Keewatinoow Construction Camp.

The Keewatinoow Construction Camp as proposed in the Bipole III Transmission Project EIS included a temporary start-up camp and main camp at two separate locations. The temporary 350 person start-up camp was located approximately 4 km north of the Keewatinoow Converter Station site and had a footprint of approximately 6.25 ha. The main camp discussed in the EIS was located approximately 2 km north of the Keewatinoow Converter Station site and had a footprint of approximately 24.5 hectares.

During the design process, an innovative multi-storey camp concept was presented to Manitoba Hydro. The modular structure camp can be easily moved and offers installation schedule advantages while decreasing the camp space requirements due to its multi-story concept. This allows for the 350 person start up camp to be expanded into a 600 person main camp, eliminating the need to develop the main camp location.

The Keewatinoow Construction Camp will be located approximately 4 km north of the Keewatinoow Converter Station site and the site boundary will remain as proposed in the Bipole III Transmission Project EIS. The camp will include a 350 person start-up camp that will be expanded into a 600 person main camp; the footprint will be approximately 6.4 ha. If a management subdivision is added, the footprint will increase to 9.4 ha. The camp will consist largely of stackable, modular, pre-engineered and some wood frame structures that can be re-located once the camp is no longer required.

The facilities available at both the start-up and main camps will be the same as those presented in the Bipole III Transmission Project EIS. The camp layout has not yet been finalized; however will be similar in concept and appearance to the Wuskwatim camp layout illustrated by the annotated photo in Figure 3.5-17 of the EIS (p 3-114).

As noted earlier, with the use of multi-story buildings the start-up and main camps will now be located in the same area. This will reduce the footprint of the construction camps from the originally proposed 24.5 ha to 6.4-9.4 ha, a reduction in area of approximately 15-18 ha. As the footprint of the camp is now proposed to be smaller, there are no changes to the predicted effects stemming from this change on any of the project VECs discussed in Chapter 8 of the EIS.

In summary, the changes to the project description include camp location and size:

- The main camp location will no longer be developed
- The start-up camp will be expanded to accommodate the workforce that would have been housed in the main camp , and will become the main camp
- The amenities at the main camp will remain as listed in the EIS.
- The footprint for the camps will be less than anticipate by 15-18 hectares

The attached map denotes the location of the camp and replaces Map 3 - 500 - 4 Northern Components from the EIS.

