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Dave Bowen Keeyask Project Manager Manitoba Hydro 360 Portage Ave (17) Winnipeg, MB R3C 0G8 dbowen@hydro.mb.ca

Dear Mr. Bowen:

Re: <u>Environment Act Licence No. 3107 – Notice of Alteration: Request to Install a Temporary</u> <u>Creek Crossing on the Winter Road to the Ellis Esker in 2018/19 and 2019/2020.</u>

This letter will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated September 13, 2018, regarding the proposed alteration to Environment Act Licence no. 3107 issued to Keeyask Hydropower Limited Partnership for the Keeyask Generation Project.

Your letter requests permission to install a creek crossing consisting of rig mats on the creek bottom, four 750 mm steel culverts, 14 m long and rockfill. The crossing will be installed once access along the winter road is established. The crossing may be necessary in the winter 2018/19 and potentially in the winter 2019/20. The crossing in both years would be removed prior to April 15th.

As the potential environmental effects resulting from the proposed alteration are not expected to be significant, the alteration is hereby approved pursuant to Section 14(2). However, this approval is conditional on implementation of any mitigation measures outlined by Fisheries and Oceans Canada. Should you have any questions about the review process, please contact Darrell Ouimet at (204) 803-1389 or <u>Darrell.Ouimet@gov.mb.ca</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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Tracey Braun, M. Sc. Director

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