

Conservation and Water Stewardship

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Dave Bowen, P. Eng, M Sc Keeyask Project Manager Manitoba Hydro 360 Portage Ave (17) Winnipeg MB R3C 0G8

Dear Mr. Bowen:

Re: <u>Environment Act Licence No. 3107 – Notice of Alteration</u>

This letter will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated October 7, 2014, regarding the proposed alteration to Environment Act Licence no. 3107 issued to Keeyask Hydropower Limited Partnership for the Keeyask Generation Project.

Your letter requests extending the length of the North Channel Rock Groin into the south channel of Gull Rapids if monitoring results of water levels, river flows and ice formation during the early winter of 2014 confirm that a stable ice cover is not likely to form upstream of Gull Rapids.

As the potential environmental effects resulting from the proposed alteration can be addressed through existing licensing conditions and associated protection measures, the alteration is hereby approved pursuant to Section 14(2) of the Environment Act.

The Licencee shall also notify Environmental Approvals Branch and the Northeast Regional Office of Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship if the proposed extension of the North Channel Rock Groin is required, based on the results of early winter monitoring. In addition, associated map sheets and drawings of the Keeyask Generation Project Construction Environmental Protection Plan (GS EnvPP) shall be updated to reflect these changes. All applicable clauses in the GS EnvPP shall be applied within the Project footprint. 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 truly,

"original signed by" Tracey Braun, M. Sc. Director

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