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Client File No. 5433.00

Licence No. 3055

Ms. Tracey Braun
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Dear Ms. Braun:

RE: Bipole III Transmission Project (Licence 3055) – Licence Condition # 17

As per Manitoba Hydro's general plan for addressing unanticipated adjustments to the Bipole III transmission line right-of-way pursuant to clause 17 of Environment Act licence 3055 and approved by Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship on November 8, 2013, this letter serves to request approval for a route adjustment in transmission line segment N2 near the Burntwood River.

After obtaining terrain data from the field and detailed design review, it was determined a small adjustment of approximately 3.55 kilometres is desirable by Manitoba Hydro (MH). This route adjustment allows for proper crossing of both the Burntwood River and two transmission lines owned by MH. This adjustment requires a small re-alignment. No additional right-of-way is required if this change is granted as clearing has not yet taken place at this location.

This adjustment falls within previously obtained Crown Land permits and under existing work permits.

Environmentally Sensitive Sites (ESS) are identified for heritage, stream crossings, soils (permafrost) and birds. The heritage ESS applies to the shoreline of the Burntwood River in general. The route adjustment will not change the requirement for the specific mitigation required for these ESS. No new ESS sites will be created by the proposed change.

MH would like to proceed with clearing this re-alignment in N2 this winter as the clearing contractor is near this location and would not have to re-mobilize next year at an additional cost.

Attached is a map showing the original route and proposed route adjustment.

Your timely response to this route adjustment request is very much appreciated as the contractor's work in the area is currently on hold.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification of our comments please do not hesitate to contact me at 204-360-4394.

Regards,

Original signed by Shannon Johnson

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Cc: Lori Stevenson, Director of Lands