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September 25, 2009

Ryan Kustra
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Dear Mr. Kustra:

Enclosed is Environment Act Licence No. 2901 dated September 25, 2009 issued in accordance with The Environment Act to Manitoba Hydro for the construction and operation of the Development being the Pointe du Bois Vehicle Access Bridge over the Winnipeg River, in Whiteshell Provincial Park. The Development consists of the construction of a temporary bridge at the Pointe du Bois Hydroelectric Generating Station, in accordance with the Proposal filed under The Environment Act on July 21, 2009.

In addition to the enclosed Licence requirements, please be informed that all other applicable federal, provincial and municipal regulations and by-laws must be complied with.

For further information on the administration and application of the Licence, please feel free to contact Heidi Kroeger, Environment Officer, Eastern Region at (204) 345-1490.

Pursuant to Section 27 of The Environment Act, this licensing decision may be appealed by any person who is affected by the issuance of this Licence to the Minister of Conservation within 30 days of the date of the Licence.

Yours truly,

Tracey Braun

Tracey Braun, M. Sc.
Director
Environment Act

Enc.
c: Don Labossiere, Director, Environmental Operations
   Public Registries

NOTE: Confirmation of Receipt of this Licence No. 2901 (by the Licencee only) is required by the Director of Environmental Assessment and Licensing. Please acknowledge receipt by signing in the space provided below and faxing a copy (letter only) to the Department by October 9, 2009.

On behalf of Manitoba Hydro

Date

**A COPY OF THE LICENCE MUST BE KEPT ON SITE AT THE DEVELOPMENT AT ALL TIMES**
Licence No. / Licence n° 2901
Issue Date / Date de délivrance September 25, 2009

In accordance with The Environment Act (C.C.S.M. c. E125) / Conformément à la Loi sur l'environnement (C.P.L.M. c. E125)
Pursuant to Section 11(1) / Conformément au Paragraphe 11(1)

THIS LICENCE IS ISSUED TO: / CETTE LICENCE EST DONNÉE À :

Manitoba Hydro: "the Licencee"

for the construction and operation of the Development being the Pointe du Bois Vehicle Access Bridge over the Winnipeg River, in Whiteshell Provincial Park. The Development consists of the construction of a temporary bridge at the Pointe du Bois Hydroelectric Generating Station, in accordance with the Proposal filed under The Environment Act on July 21, 2009, and subject to the following specifications, limits, terms and conditions:

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This Section of the Licence contains requirements intended to provide guidance to the Licencee in implementing practices to ensure that the environment is maintained in such a manner as to sustain a high quality of life, including social and economic development, recreation and leisure for present and future Manitobans.

1. The Licencee shall establish any fuel storage areas required for the construction and operation of the Development in compliance with the requirements of Manitoba Regulation 188/2001, respecting Storage and Handling of Petroleum Products and Allied Products, or any future amendment thereof.

2. The Licencee shall ensure fuel storage containers incorporate secondary containment.

3. The Licencee shall collect and dispose of all used petroleum products and other hazardous wastes generated by the machinery used in the construction and operation of the Development in accordance with Manitoba Conservation and legislative requirements.

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4. The Licensee shall, at all times during the construction and operation of the Development, have available at the construction sites, materials to contain and recover spills of fuel and other fluids associated with construction machinery.

5. The Licensee shall, during construction and operation of the Development:
   a) immediately report any reportable spills to Manitoba Conservation’s Accident Reporting Line at (204) 944-4888 pursuant to Manitoba Regulation 439/87, respecting Environmental Accident Reporting, or any future amendment thereof; and
   b) at the request of the Director, provide a follow-up report to the Director on a reportable environmental accident outlining the cause(s) and proposed corrective action to prevent reoccurrence.

6. The Licensee shall, during the full term of the construction of the Development, cleanup and deposit all debris from the construction site, including demolition debris, at a Waste Disposal Ground operating under the authority of a permit issued pursuant to Manitoba Regulation 150/91, respecting Waste Disposal Grounds, or any future amendment thereof, or a Licence issued pursuant to The Environment Act.

7. The Licensee shall, during construction and operation of the Development, dispose of all sewage and septage from on-site sanitary facilities in accordance with the Onsite Wastewater Management Systems Regulation, MR 83/2003, or any future amendment thereof.

8. The Licensee shall, during construction, adhere to the general recommendations on design, construction, and maintenance of stream crossings as specified in the Manitoba Department of Conservation guidelines titled Manitoba Stream Crossing Guidelines for the Protection of Fish and Fish Habitat, 1996.

9. The Licensee shall, on a daily basis throughout construction and restoration of the Development, monitor the work activity to ensure adherence to all the environmental practices outlined in the Environmental Assessment report.

10. The Licensee shall, prior to construction, provide a copy of this Licence to the contractor and subcontractor(s) involved in the Development.

**SPECIFICATIONS, LIMITS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

Respecting Pre-Construction

11. The Licensee shall, prior to construction, obtain authorization for water control works associated with the Development from Manitoba Water Stewardship, pursuant to the Water Rights Act.
12. The Licencee shall, prior to construction, file with the Director an Emergency Response Plan for environmental accidents and spills. Specifically, the Plan shall include but not be limited to:
   a) emergency equipment to be kept on site;
   b) personnel training;
   c) location and ownership of downstream water intakes that may be impacted by a spill; and
   d) immediate notification of accidents and spills to appropriate contact persons for the identified water intakes as well as applicable authorities.

13. The Licencee shall notify the assigned Environment Officer not less than two weeks prior to beginning construction of the Development. The notification shall include the intended starting date of construction.

**Respecting Construction**

14. The Licencee shall, from April 1 to June 15 during construction, cease all construction activities that may impact upon the Winnipeg River stream channel and which may affect fish mobility and fish habitat.

15. The Licencee shall, during construction of the Development, not alter surface drainage patterns.

16. The Licencee shall, during construction of the Development, take all appropriate measures to prevent soil erosion, and the deposition of sediment, into the Winnipeg River.

17. The Licencee shall, during construction of the Development, undertake measures to ensure that construction debris is prevented from entering the Winnipeg River.

18. The Licencee shall, at the completion of construction, ensure that the banks of the Winnipeg River are stabilized from channel level to high water elevation at bank-full conditions.

19. The Licencee shall, immediately following construction, landscape, rip-rap and/or vegetate all areas disturbed during construction.

**Respecting Decommissioning**

20. The Licencee shall, prior to decommissioning the Development, provide a decommissioning plan for approval of the Director.
Respecting Alterations to the Development

21. The Licencee shall obtain approval from the Director for any proposed alteration to the Development before proceeding with the alteration.

REVIEW AND REVOCATION

A. If, in the opinion of the Director, the Licencee has exceeded or is exceeding or has or is failing to meet the specifications, limits, terms, or conditions set out in this Licence, the Director may, temporarily or permanently, revoke this Licence.

B. If, in the opinion of the Director, new evidence warrants a change in the specifications, limits, terms or conditions of this Licence, the Director may require the filing of a new proposal pursuant to Section 11 of The Environment Act.

C. If construction of the development has not commenced within three years of the date of this Licence, the Licence is revoked.

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