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Dear Ms. Dagdick:

**RE: Manitoba – Minnesota Transmission Project Scoping Document**

Thank you for your May 5, 2015 letter confirming that the review of the draft Scoping Document submitted November 21, 2014 and the comments on the document from the public and the technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for the above noted project is now complete. As requested in this letter, I have attached a new Scoping Document that addresses the following:

1. all recommendations in the TAC comments;
2. commitments to include a biophysical monitoring plan, an access management plan, and an environmental protection plan for construction in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS);
3. a description of the measures proposed by Manitoba Hydro to reduce and mitigate the potential effects of the project on First Nation, Métis communities, and other Aboriginal communities; and
4. a commitment to include a concordance table in the EIS for cross-referencing the approved Scoping Document with the EIS.

In addition, we have added a section discussing modifications to the Riel 500-kV International Power Line, which we have now determined would be necessary to eliminate risks associated with the MMTP lines having to cross over this existing line at several locations, based on the preferred alignment.

Should you have any questions regarding this material please do not hesitate to contact me at 360-4394.

Regards,

*Original signed by Shannon Johnson*

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