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Mr. Serge Scrafield
Chair
Clean Environment Commission
305 – 155 Carlton Street
Winnipeg MB R3C 3H8

Dear Mr. Scrafield:

Re: Manitoba Hydro - Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Project

The environmental assessment process coordinated by the Environmental Approvals Branch for the above noted project is now complete.

Information on the environmental assessment process, including the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared by Manitoba Hydro, comments from the Technical Advisory Committee and the public on the project, and information requests and the associated responses from Manitoba Hydro are available on our website at <http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/eal/registries/5750mbhydrombminnesota/index.html>. A summary document of the environmental assessment process for this project is being prepared and will also be posted on the website.

It has been determined that the concerns raised during the technical and public review of the EIS have been addressed in Manitoba Hydro's responses to the information requests or can be addressed in licensing conditions. Accordingly, I recommend that the Clean Environment Commission proceed with the public hearings for this project in accordance with the Terms of Reference issued by the Minister on December 31, 2015.

Yours sincerely,

“Originally Signed By”

Tracey Braun, M.Sc.
Director

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