

January 22, 2021

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Dear James Matthewson:

Thank you for your letter dated August 28, 2020 submitting the Wetland Offset Measures and No Net Loss of Wetlands Plan for the Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Project in accordance with clause 36 of Environment Act Licence 3288.

The submission fulfills the requirements of clause 36.

It is noted that the Environmental Monitoring Plan for this project states, in relation to wetlands, that:

- Post-construction monitoring will identify any changes to wetland areas affected, and species composition and abundance;
- Manitoba Hydro will, through an adaptive management framework, make recommendations for ongoing improvements to the mitigation measures, monitoring plan, methods, analysis and implementation in response to knowledge gained through ongoing monitoring and associated analysis; and
- If passive revegetation is not successful, implement active revegetation through planting or seeding of native/traditional species.

Pursuant to clause 58 of Environment Act Licence 3288, additional mitigation measures may be required should unanticipated effects to wetlands be identified through the monitoring program.

If there are any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Elise Dagdick, Environment Officer, at Elise.Dagdick@gov.mb.ca or 204-619-0709.

Yours sincerely,

Original Signed by

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