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Client File No. 5719.00 Licence No. 3382

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Dear Ms. Wittmann:

BP6/BP7 CONSTRUCTION DELAY – EXTENSION REQUEST

Pursuant to the BP6/BP7 Environment Act Licence No. 3382 issued July 13, 2022, this letter serves to request an extension to the construction start date. Licence clause B states "If the licensee has not commenced construction of the development within three years of the date of this licence, the licence is revoked." We request a two-year extension such that if construction begins by July 13, 2027, the licence will not be revoked.

Competing construction priorities resulted in deferral of this project, with construction now tentatively planned for fall of 2025. However, re-evaluation over the coming year may again affect the schedule of this project.

Manitoba Hydro has signed easement agreements with all landowners. The easements limit certain development with the right-of-way; therefore, there should be no substantial changes to land use or development that would increase potential effects. Manitoba Hydro has assigned Landowner Liaisons for all traversed landowners and has provided and will continue to provide project updates to landowners. The requested extension does not change the conclusions in the BP6/BP7 Environmental Assessment Report.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification of our comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (204) 360-3119.

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Yours truly,

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