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Manitoba Department of Environment Building 2 139 Tuxedo Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba R3N 0H6

Attention: Mr. Edwin Yee, Manager, Contaminated Sites and Dangerous Goods

<u>Subject: Sutherland Avenue Manufactured Gas Plant Site Management Plan - Plume Monitoring Red River Sediments</u>

Dear Mr. Yee

Please find enclosed a copy of the 1996 PAH plume monitoring study in the Red River. You may recall that Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. made a commitment to monitor the PAH plume over the three year period of 1996 - 1998. According to our consultant, Agassiz North Associates the plume size in the 1996 study has decreased by approximately 35% since 1995 measurements. We are encouraged by these findings and will continue with our monitoring program in 1997.

In addition, our pilot bio-remediation project is underway and if successful will result in our being able to treat groundwater flowing from the property into the river sediments. We will use 1997 to measure the effectiveness of this pilot and will apprise you accordingly of its status. If the pilot proves to be successful, we will implement a full scale bio-remediation program to treat contaminated groundwater flow from this property.

Should you have any further questions please contact me at 925-0724.

Yours sincerely;

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