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Dear Ms. Moroz:

**Manitoba Hydro  
Application for Approval of Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Project  
(MMTP, the Project)  
Application by Manitoba Hydro under subsection 58.11 of the  
National Energy Board Act (NEB Act), and under the *Canadian Environmental  
Assessment Act, 2012* (CEAA 2012), S.C. 2012, c. 19, s. 52  
Notification - Registration to Participate in the CEAA 2012 Environmental  
Assessment of the Manitoba-Minnesota Transmission Project**

On 16 December 2016, the National Energy Board (the Board) received an application from Manitoba Hydro (MH) for:

- a permit from the Board authorizing the construction and operation of an international power line (IPL) pursuant to section 58.11 of the NEB Act; and
- approval for certain deviation pursuant to subsection 45(1) of the NEB Act.

The Project falls within the *Regulations Designating Physical Activities* SOR/2012-147 under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012*,<sup>1</sup> (CEAA 2012) and therefore, must undergo an environmental assessment as set out in CEAA 2012. The Board is the Responsible Authority under CEAA 2012 to conduct this environmental assessment.

On 19 April 2017, the Board decided to assess the Project under section 58.11 of the NEB Act as applied for by MH.

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<sup>1</sup> S.C. 2012, c. 19, s.52.

The Board must ensure that the public is provided with an opportunity to participate in the environmental assessment of the Project under CEAA 2012. Those who wish to participate in the environmental assessment must register with the Board. Registrants must clearly describe their interest in relation to the Factors To Be Considered during the environmental assessment (Appendix A), which is on the NEB website and included in the registration to participate. The time line for this process is found in Appendix B. The Registration to Participate portal will be available from 15 July 2017 to 15 August 2017.

The Board directs MH to distribute no later than 15 July 2017 the Register to Participate Notification (Notification) found under Appendix C as follows to:

1. participants in the provincial Clean Environment Commission (CEC) proceeding;
2. neighbouring jurisdictions;
3. Manitoba Hydro's Interested Parties list;
4. municipalities and first responders in the vicinity of the proposed route;
5. Aboriginal groups on the list provided by the Major Projects Management Office (MPMO); and
6. The persons listed in Appendix D to this letter.

In addition to the above, MH is directed to:

7. Post the Notification on its external project website; and;
8. Publish the Notification in the following papers ( no later than 15 July 2017):

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Location</b>
Globe and Mail	English	National
Winnipeg Free Press	English	Winnipeg
La Liberte	French	Winnipeg
Winnipeg Sun	English	Winnipeg

Yours truly,

*Original signed by L. George for*

Sheri Young  
Secretary of the Board

Attachments