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Dear Ms. Northover:

**Re: Pointe du Bois Spillway Replacement Project – Environmental Monitoring Plans
Environment Act Licence No. 2988 R**

This is in response to your October 18, 2016 email to Bruce Webb of this office concerning the environmental monitoring plans for the above project. Draft plans were submitted in 2012 in accordance with the requirements of Clause 52 of Environment Act Licence No. 2988 R. These plans covered aquatic effects, terrestrial effects, the physical environment and socio-economic monitoring.

The plans remained un-finalized during the construction period of the project, and we have appreciated Manitoba Hydro's diligence in annual reporting on the monitoring under the draft plans, and Hydro's cooperation in adjusting the monitoring in response to experience and changing conditions. This has been particularly helpful for the aquatic effects monitoring plan.

With construction of the project essentially completed, the monitoring is transitioning to operational monitoring and longer-term post-construction monitoring. The current drafts of each of the monitoring plans are hereby approved. I note that revegetation monitoring is now included in the Terrestrial Effects Monitoring Plan.

We look forward to your continued reporting under the plans, and thank you for providing and updating this material.

Yours sincerely,

"Originally Signed By"

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