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Tracey Braun
Director
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Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship
160-123 Main Street
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Dear Ms. Braun:

**RE: KEYYASK GENERATION PROJECT – ALTERATION REQUEST, ICE BOOMS
ENVIRONMENT ACT LICENCE NO. 3107, CLIENT FILE 5550.00**

Manitoba Hydro, in its delegated authority to manage construction of the Keeyask Generation Project on behalf of the Keeyask Hydropower Limited Partnership, is requesting an alteration to Environment Act Licence (EAL) No. 3107 for two additional ice booms in the Nelson River.

A critical requirement of the river management strategy for the Keeyask Generating Station Construction Project is the formation of a stable ice cover upstream of the construction site on Gull Lake. Ice booms were installed in the Nelson River in 2013 and 2014, both booms were unsuccessful. Design modifications have occurred and it has been determined that multiple ice booms are required to ensure ice bridging occurs upstream of Gull Rapids. It is proposed that two ice booms are installed in the summer of 2015, see attached for a description of construction and the potential incremental environmental effects.

The anticipated start date of construction is mid June 2015. If there are any questions or concerns with this request, please feel free to contact Jodine MacDuff at 204-360-5539.

Yours truly,

 (A.R. ADAMS)

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