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Reg. #2271

Cory Grandy
Deputy Minister
Department of Transportation and Infrastructure
E-mail: corygrandy@gov.nl.ca

Dear Cory Grandy:

RE: Deer Lake Tailrace Bridge Geotechnical Work (the Project)

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental environmental assessment screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by Part X of the Newfoundland and Labrador **Environmental Protection Act**, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Please be advised that the Project is **released** from further environmental assessment subject to the following conditions:

- You must uphold all commitments made in your environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the Project on the environment.
- You must update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the Project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the Project, one year from the date of this release letter and provide additional updates if required. Please email the Project updates to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

Although the undertaking as proposed is released from further environmental assessment, it is still subject to other legislative requirements. You must comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all necessary permits and approvals. You must inform this department of any proposed significant changes to the undertaking.

Please note that in accordance with Section 17 of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, my decision is valid for a period of three years from the date of this letter. If you have not commenced the Project within this three-year period, you may apply to extend the term of my decision for a maximum of three periods of one year. Should the



term of my decision expire, the Project will have to be registered again for environmental assessment, if you wish to proceed. For further information, please email EAPProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

If you have any questions about the environmental assessment process, please contact Joanne Sweeney, Director of the Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or via E-mail at joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature, appearing to be "B. Davis", written over a horizontal line.

HON. BERNARD DAVIS, MHA
District of Virginia Waters – Pleasantville
Minister

Cc: Hon. Dr. Andrew Furey, Premier