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Mr. Brent Sellars Mgr, Environment-Cap./EA Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro Hydro Place, 500 Columbus Drive St. John's NL A1B 4K7

Dear Mr. Sellars:

Re: Decommissioning Plan Amendment for for the Bay d'Espoir to Western Avalon Transmission Line Project – TL 267

On June 17, 2016, the Bay d'Espoir to Western Avalon Transmission Line project was released from further environmental assessment subject to a number of conditions. One of those conditions required NL Hydro to submit and receive Ministerial approval for a Decommissioning Plan. The Decommissioning Plan was approved on October 14, 2016.

An interdepartmental review of an amendment to the Decommissioning Plan submitted on April 12, 2018 was conducted in accordance with Section 69 of the Environmental Protection Act. It has been determined that the plan amendment is acceptable and is therefore approved.

Please be aware that you must abide by all commitments made in the plan and that any significant changes will be subject to additional review and approval.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director, Environmental Assessment Division at (709) 729-0673 or susansquires@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

ANDREW PARSONS, QC

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment

cc: Mark Browne, MHA, District of Placentia West – Bellevue Tracey Perry, MHA, District of Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune