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Reg. No.2236

Ken Sparkes
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Dear Ken Sparkes:

RE: Waste Management Plan and Caribou Protection and Impacts Mitigation Plan for the Labrador – L1301 Transmission Line Decommissioning (the Project):

On July 7, 2023, the Project was released from environmental assessment, subject to conditions. Two conditions of release required Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (NL Hydro) to submit a Waste Management Plan (WMP) and a Caribou Protection and Impacts Mitigation Plan (CPIMP) for approval prior to the start of Project construction.

On July 18, 2023, you submitted the WMP to the Pollution Prevention Division of my department. You also submitted the CPIMP to the Wildlife Division of the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture. In addition, both plans were provided to the Innu Nation and NunatuKavut Community Council for review and comment, in accordance with the Aboriginal Consultation Policy. As a result of these reviews, I am advising you that the plans are acceptable.

You must abide by the commitments made in the WMP, CPIMP, and in all NL Hydro environmental assessment submissions for the Project. Any significant changes to the WMP, CPIMP, or to the Project must be presented to my department to be reviewed for regulatory requirements, including environmental assessment.

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

Sincerely,



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