

October 18, 2019

Client File No. 5719.00

Licence No. 3207

Cordella Friesen
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Manitoba Conservation
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Dear Ms. Friesen:

RE: St. Vital Transmission Complex – Extension Request

Pursuant to the St. Vital Transmission Complex *Environment Act* licence 3207 issued January 30, 2017, this letter serves to request an extension to the construction start date. Licence clause B states, “If the construction of the Development has not commenced within three years of the date of this Licence, the Licence is revoked.” We request a two year extension such that if construction begins by January 30, 2022, the licence will not be revoked.

The project is currently being tendered and the project may start prior to the January 20, 2020 deadline. However, with the recent snow storm and associated outages, personnel and materials may be difficult to spare and priorities may change after a full assessment of the storm’s damage.

Manitoba Hydro has signed easement agreements with the majority of landowners and is working towards obtaining easement for all required property. The easements limit certain development within the right-of-way, therefore, there should be no major changes to land use or development that would increase potential effects.

Manitoba Hydro has assigned Landowner Liaisons for all traversed landowners and has provided and will continue to provide project updates to landowners.

The requested extension does not change the conclusions in the St. Vital transmission project Environmental Assessment Report.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification of our comments please do not hesitate to contact me at 204-360-3119.

Regards,

Original signed by James Matthewson

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