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The Public Utilities Board of Manitoba
Attention: Mr. Darren Christle
Executive Director and Board Secretary
400-330 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, MB R3C 0C4

Dear Mr. Christle:

Re: Manitoba Hydro 2017/18 & 2018/19 GRA – Filing of Consumers Coalition Evidence

Please find enclosed the following expert report, which is co-sponsored by the Consumers Coalition and the Manitoba Industrial Power Users Group:

- “Review of Manitoba Hydro Financial Targets: Report to the Manitoba PUB” by MPA Morrison Park Advisors Inc.

Please also find enclosed the Consumers Coalition evidence, which consists of the following expert reports:

- “The Effect of the Proposed Hydro Rate Increase on the Manitoba Economy” by Dr. Janice Compton and Dr. Wayne Simpson;
- “Review of Manitoba Hydro's 2017/18 and 2018/19 GRA Sustainment Capital” by METSCO Energy Solutions Inc.;
- “Manitoba Public Utilities Board: Manitoba Hydro's 2017/18 and 2018/19 General Rate Application” by William Harper, Econalysis Consulting Services; and
- “Energy Poverty in Manitoba and the Impact of the Proposed Hydro Rate Increase: An Assessment of the Bill Affordability Study in the Manitoba Hydro GRA” by Dr. Wayne Simpson.¹

The Consumers Coalition appreciates the collaborative efforts aimed at reducing duplication and promoting efficiency it has enjoyed with the Manitoba Industrial Power Users Group, the Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs, the Manitoba Keewatinowi

¹ The filing of this evidence does not imply that the Consumers Coalition is of the view that its right to know the case it has to meet and its right to make meaningful representations has been fully achieved, given the withholding of Commercially Sensitive Information, as well as certain information not provided by Manitoba Hydro in response to Information Requests. The Coalition also notes that material is still currently being filed by the Applicant in this proceeding (e.g. confidential information pursuant to Board Order 112/17 was filed on Monday October 30, 2017). The Coalition reserves the right to monitor the record of the proceeding as it evolves and, if necessary, to make further submissions.

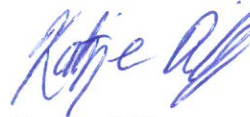
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Please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Byron Williams at (204) 985 8533 or Ms Katrine Dilay at (204) 985 5220 should you have any questions.

Yours truly,



Byron Williams
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Enclosures

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