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Mr. D. Christle
Secretary and Executive Director
Public Utilities Board
400-330 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba
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Dear Mr. Christle:

RE: MANITOBA HYDRO 2017/18 & 2018/19 GENERAL RATE APPLICATION

On May 5, 2017, Manitoba Hydro filed with the Public Utilities Board of Manitoba (“PUB”) the Letter of Application (Tab 1) with respect to its 2017/18 & 2018/19 General Rate Application (“GRA” or “Application”).

Please find attached the following Revenue Requirement materials in support of this Application:

- Tab 1, Letter of Application, which sets out the approvals sought by Manitoba Hydro in this Application. Please note that due to a change in the structure of the filing, the references to Tab 4 in paragraphs 10 and 11 of the Letter of Application should be to Tab 3 instead;
- Tab 2, Key Messages and Compelling Reasons for a Rate Increase, which outlines the reasons for the requested rate increases in Manitoba Hydro’s Application;
- Tab 3, Integrated Financial Forecast, which provides an overview of Manitoba Hydro’s 2016 Financial Forecast and Debt Management Strategy;
- Tab 4, Financial Targets and Uncertainly Analysis, which provides an overview of Manitoba Hydro’s financial ratios and targets, uncertainty analysis, and a discussion on credit rating agency perspectives.
- Tab 5, Asset Management and Capital Expenditure Forecast, which describes the corporation’s asset management practices and initiatives, and provides a summary of the 2016 Capital Expenditure & Demand Side Management Forecast.

- Tab 6, Statement of Income Analysis – Actual and Forecast, which provides analyses of the actual and forecast revenues and expenses related to Manitoba Hydro’s electric operations for 2014/15 to 2018/19.
- Tab 7, Electric Load Forecast, Demand Side Management and Energy Supply, provides information on Manitoba Hydro’s load forecast, Demand Side Management plan, energy supply planning and energy generation based on prevailing water conditions.
- Tab 10, PUB Directives and Interim Orders, which outlines the interim and/or Ex Parte Orders for which Manitoba Hydro is seeking final PUB approval and provides responses to, and the status of, PUB directives.

This information will be available on Manitoba Hydro’s website (www.hydro.mb.ca) as of Monday, May 15, 2017.

Manitoba Hydro anticipates filing its Cost of Service and Proposed Rates & Customer Impacts Tabs, as well as responses to Minimum Filing Requirements (“MFRs”) from the PUB and Interveners (excluding capital related MFRs) on or around May 24, 2017. Manitoba Hydro anticipates filing the remaining MFRs in late June 2017.

Should you have any questions with respect to this submission, please contact the writer at 204-360-3946 or Greg Barnlund at 204-360-5243.

Yours truly,

MANITOBA HYDRO LAW DIVISION

Per:



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cc: All Interveners of Past Record
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Att.