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Sent via email to: Matthew.Hebert@gov.ab.ca

Subject: Technical Review of the Information Request Responses for the Springbank Off-Stream Reservoir Project – Information Request Package 4

Dear Mr. Hebert:

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) conducted a technical review of Alberta Transportation's June 14, 2019, responses to the first round of Agency information requests, and the November 5, December 10, and December 16, 2019, responses to the gaps in the information request responses for the Springbank Off-Stream Reservoir Project.

Upon review of the information, the Agency determined that there were several areas where information is still required to fully understand the potential effects of the Project to areas of federal jurisdiction. Attached is Information Request Package 4. This package concludes the second round of the technical review.

Written comments received by the Agency regarding the second round of the technical review have been provided to you and are available on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry (Reference #80123). Alberta Transportation is encouraged to review all of the comments submitted as they include detailed information and advice not presented in the Information Request package.

In accordance with CEAA 2012, time taken by Alberta Transportation to provide the required information is not included in the legal timeframe within which the Minister of Environment and Climate Change must make the EA decision. The issuance of this Information Request Package will pause the timeline at day 209.



The Agency welcomes the opportunity to discuss the outcome of this review with you and provide further advice on how to best address the information required to move forward with the assessment process. To this end, the Agency proposes a technical workshop with federal experts and your team to facilitate a better understanding of the expectations of the Agency and federal authorities, and to ensure complete responses to information requests. In light of recent public health recommendations, we are proposing a virtual meeting or teleconference at this time. Please contact the Agency to confirm availability for a discussion during the next few weeks. If you have any questions, please contact me at Jennifer.Howe@canada.ca or (780) 224-0267.

Sincerely,

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Attachment (1): Information Request Package 4 – Technical Review Round 2 –
Springbank Off-Stream Reservoir Project