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Scott Pinhey
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Dear Mr. Pinhey:

This letter is in response to WCC LNG Project Ltd.'s letter to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (the Agency), dated December 5, 2018, and sent via email, requesting that the WCC LNG Project (the Project) be withdrawn from the federal environmental assessment process.

On February 26, 2015, the Agency commenced an environmental assessment under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012* (CEAA 2012) for the Project and the former Minister of the Environment granted substitution of the environmental assessment to British Columbia.

A federal environmental assessment was required as the Project is described in CEAA 2012's *Regulations Designating Physical Activities*. The Project would have likely required Environment and Climate Change Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Natural Resources Canada, and Transport Canada to exercise a power, duty or function under the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*, *Fisheries Act*, *Explosives Act*, and *Navigation Protection Act*, respectively. The Project would have also likely required approvals related to lands administered by the Prince Rupert Port Authority.

As WCC LNG Project Ltd. has requested that the Project be withdrawn from the federal environmental assessment process, the aforementioned federal authorities have confirmed that they will not exercise any power or perform any duties or functions in relation to the Project.

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The Agency accepts WCC LNG Project Ltd.'s request to withdraw the Project from the federal environmental assessment process and has terminated the environmental assessment pursuant to section 62 of CEAA 2012. Your December 5, 2018, letter and a Notice of Termination have been posted to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry (Project Reference: 80096). The Agency has also notified Indigenous groups that were being consulted on the Project, including Lax Kw'alaams Band, Metlakatla First Nation, Gitxaala Nation, Kitsumkalum First Nation, Kitselas First Nation, and Métis Nation British Columbia.

Termination of this federal environmental assessment does not limit the future application of federal environmental assessment legislation. Should you or any other proponent propose this or a similar project at a future date, the new project would be considered pursuant to the requirements of CEAA 2012, or its successor legislation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Zoltan Fabian, Project Liaison at Zoltan.Fabian@ceaa-acee.gc.ca or 604-666-8605.

Sincerely,

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