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Dear Mr. Sean Carriere

Subject: Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channels Project - Supplemental Submission

Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure (MTI) is pleased to provide the enclosed supplemental information to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) for the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channels Project (the Project). This submission builds upon and completes MTI's May 31, 2022 submission titled *Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channels Project Information Request Response Submission* (Information Request Response)¹. This submission also includes the Agency's most recent request for additional information (dated June 6, amended June 22, 2022).

Specifically, this submission includes the following information:

Attachment 1: Updated Environmental Management Plans

- Environmental Management Plan Framework, Draft Rev2
- Construction Environmental Management Program, Draft Rev2
- Environmental Protection Plan, Draft Rev2
- Project Environmental Requirements, Draft Rev2
- Access Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Quarry Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Sediment Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Surface Water Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Groundwater Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Revegetation Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Agricultural Biosecurity Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Dust Control Plan, Draft Rev2
- Heritage Resources Protection Plan, Draft Rev2
- Site Decommissioning Plan, Draft Rev2

¹ Numbering of the attachments is consistent with and sequential to MTI's May 31, 2022 *Information Request Response*. Attachment 1 completes the May 31, 2022 submission of updated Environmental Management Plans. Attachments 2, 3, and 4 were submitted in full by MTI on May 31, 2022. Attachment 5 and 6 are provided as additional information under this submission.

- Operation Environmental Management Program, Draft Rev2
- Ice Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan, Draft Rev2
- Wetland Monitoring Plan, Draft Rev1 (new)
- Wetland Compensation Plan, Draft Rev2
- Wildlife Monitoring Plan, Draft Rev2
- Red-headed Woodpecker Habitat Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Eastern Whip-Poor-Will Habitat Management Plan, Draft Rev2
- Complaint Resolution Process, Draft Rev2

Attachment 5: References

- References (Digital File Index)
 - o EIS References (EIS)
 - o Technical Information Request (Round 1 Package 1) References (Technical R1P1)
 - o Public Information Request (Round 1 Package 2A) References (Public R1P2A)
 - o 2022 Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan References (2022 EMP Plans)
- EMP References Compiled
- IR References Compiled

Attachment 6: Additional Information

- MTI's response to IAAC's *Attachment 1: Outstanding Information in Response to Information Request Round 1 (Amended)* (dated June 6, 2022 and amended June 22, 2022), including:
 - o Attachment 2 Referencing Roadmap
 - o Missing Information from Information Request Responses as identified by IAAC
- Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Water Control Structures Operating Guidelines (Draft as of June 16, 2022)²

As indicated in MTI's *Information Request Response*, the environmental management and monitoring plans contained as part of this submission have been updated to reflect feedback received from Indigenous groups, the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale, and federal agencies. This also includes the development of a new plan specific to wetlands, the *Wetland Monitoring Plan*. The *Fish and Fish Habitat Offsetting Plan: Initial Concepts for Discussion* that was provided to Indigenous groups, the Rural Municipality of Grahamdale and federal agencies in 2020 for discussion only, has not been

² In MTI's *May 31, 2022 Information Request Response*, the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Water Control Structures Operating Guidelines was referenced as part of Attachment 1 in error. It has been provided as additional information in Attachment 6.

updated nor included as it is a requirement for the *Fisheries Act* Authorization. This will require consultation and approval from Fisheries and Oceans Canada, which is separate from the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012 environmental assessment process. However, revised information necessary to the Agency's review of fisheries offsets was included in MTI's information request responses (e.g., IAAC-37) and should allow the Agency to complete its technical review.

As discussed with the Agency, delivery of the aforementioned information will allow for the continued progression of the Agency's review of the Project's environmental assessment. We look forward to continued collaboration with the Agency in further advancing this Project. As demonstrated with widespread flooding in Manitoba during the spring of 2022, providing enhanced flood protection and climate resilient infrastructure for Manitobans remains among the highest of priorities for the government of Manitoba.

Sincerely,



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Attachments

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