Dear British Columbia Utilities Commission,

I urge you to carefully consider the impact any decisions or actions regarding this issue will have.

I am writing to urge you to recommend that the Site C Dam be rejected. The project has serious financial and environmental problems, and runs counter to the goal of seeking reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

1) It is clear from validated and publicly available informations that the costs will run about 3x the projected payback. So it’s a financial boondoggle capable of bankrupting the province.

2) It is an unacceptable sacrifice of currently undervalued ecologically clean municipal real estate, given the current rate of climate change.

3) The fee simple ownership to this land is in dispute. Should later political changes endow First Nations of Canada their rightful due, compensation for the then fully realized value of point 2 above could be crippling for more than just the province of BC.

4) It is not clear that the power is needed or cost effective to distribute to the publicly proposed prospective NAFTA customers. Current trend clearly show a logarithmically scaling trend toward solar and wind, both locally produced power resources. This in context with another vast scaling currently underway in overall proportional usage arising from increased efficiency of end user accoutrement and the associated appreciation of the individual end user of the value of conservation. These trends can also be easily mapped and extrapolated to illustrate how wasteful the fundamental precept underpinning all of the points above actually is.

Sincerely,

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