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Mr. Patrick Wruck  
Commission Secretary and Manager  
Regulatory Support  
British Columbia Utilities Commission  
Suite 410, 900 Howe Street  
Vancouver, BC V6Z 2N3

Dear Mr. Wruck:

**RE: Project No. 1598922**  
**British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC or Commission)**  
**British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro)**  
**Site C Inquiry – BC Hydro Response to Commission Request for**  
**Comments from October 2, 2017**

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BC Hydro writes as requested by the Commission to provide our comments on the October 2, 2017 letter from the Clean Energy Association of B. C. (**CEABC**) requesting access to certain confidential information from BC Hydro provided to Deloitte LLP as part of the Commission's Inquiry regarding the Site C project.

As noted by CEABC, BC Hydro has provided our views setting out a balanced approach to disclosure in our letter dated September 14, 2017 (Filing F1-2). The Commission accepted our approach, finding it "reflects a reasonable balance between providing proper protection to commercially sensitive information while allowing some access with appropriate safeguards" (Filing A-11).

In accordance with that order, BC Hydro can provide information that falls within Categories A and B (as described in our letter) from both our filing and the Deloitte reports once CEABC files the appropriate attestations and undertakings. BC Hydro expects this information will largely cover the subject areas that seem to be of interest to CEABC, including Project budget.

BC Hydro wants to re-iterate that this approach in no way reflects on CEABC or other participants in the Inquiry. However, as described in our letter of September 14, 2017, given the sensitivities of the information and given the issues we have already experienced, we remain of the view that the existing approach is the most appropriate one in order to protect the interest of ratepayers.

BC Hydro also notes that CEABC is requesting information regarding the calculation of the \$630 million cost if there is a one-year delay in the Highway 20 construction

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activities. BC Hydro filed its response to BCUC Information Request 2.8.0 on October 4, 2017 which contains the detailed breakdown of the derivation of that amount.

For further information, please contact Fred James at 604-623-4317 or by email at [bchydroregulatorygroup@bchydro.com](mailto:bchydroregulatorygroup@bchydro.com).

Yours sincerely,



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