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**Re: British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority – British Columbia Utilities Commission Inquiry
Respecting Site C – Project No. 1598922**

Dear Mr. James:

On October 11, 2017, the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) provided three illustrative Alternative Portfolios based on information submitted by the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) and other parties in the Site C Inquiry (see documents A-22 and A-22-1). The Commission invited comments on these illustrative Alternative Portfolios due by October 18, 2017.

On October 18, 2017, the Canadian Geothermal Energy Association (CanGEA) provided its comments on the Commission's Alternative Portfolios (document F66-4), stating that it "believes strongly that geothermal resources must be included in the Commission's alternative portfolio. The supporting data is on our [CanGEA] side; a portfolio that includes geothermal is well suited to meet British Columbia's electricity needs."

The Commission invites BC Hydro to comment on CanGEA's October 18, 2017 submission. The deadline to provide comments is Friday, October 20, 2017.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Patrick Wruck
Commission Secretary