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BC Hydro and Power Authority 333 Dunsmuir ST Vancouver, BC V8B 5R3

Dear BC Hydro and Power Authority,

Change Approval – Unnamed Tributary to Peace River (File 9000830)

Approval for the above has been granted and a Section 11 Change Approval document verifying this is attached.

Section 105 of the Water Sustainability Act gives the recipient of this notice the right to appeal my decision. You may file an appeal within 30 days of the date indicated on this letter. Information on filing an appeal can be found on the Environmental Appeal Board WEB site at http://www.eab.gov.bc.ca/.

Sincerely,

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Dave Francis Water Manager

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Section 11 (1) Change Approval

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, 12th Floor-333 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 5R3 and their agents are hereby authorized to make changes in and about a stream as follows:

- 1) The authorized stream is an unnamed tributary to the Peace River located approximately at: 56.239416, -121.315567.
- 2) The changes to be made in and about the stream are:
 - Construction and removal of a temporary crossing.
 - Excavation and removal of a culvert.
- All work will be as described in the Section 11 Application and the document titled "Site C Clean Energy Project - Description of Activities and Works - Water Sustainability Act S11 Notification - Temporary Crossing Installation, Fence and Culvert Removal on Parcel 126.1".
- 4) The works authorized shall be completed by September 30, 2023.
- 5) Any significant departures from the approved plans and specifications as outlined in clause (4) will be submitted to the Water Manager for approval at least ten (10) working days prior to any changes being made in the field.
- 6) All work shall be done in accordance with the "Requirements and Best Management Practices for Making Changes In and About A Stream in British Columbia" (Government of BC 2021).
- 7) Flows downstream of the project site must be maintained at all times.
- 8) All instream works or work occurring in environmentally sensitive areas will be constructed under on-site supervision of an appropriately qualified Environmental Monitor (EM).
- 9) Equipment operating near the stream shall be free of external grease, oil or fluid leaks and an emergency spill response kit shall be kept on-site. Refueling of machinery shall be conducted to ensure that deleterious substances shall not enter the watercourse.
- 10) Care shall be exercised during all phases of construction to minimize the escape of sediment laden water from the watercourse.

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- This document does not supersede the requirements of the Water Sustainability Act and 11) regulations, *Federal Fisheries Act* or any other related legislation. The proponent is obligated to comply with all federal, provincial and municipal legislation.
- This Approval does not authorize entry onto private land. It is the responsibility of the holder 12) of this Approval to obtain appropriate landowner permissions/agreements prior to the works occurring.
- 13) The holder of this Approval shall take reasonable care to avoid damaging any land, works, trees or other property, and shall make full compensation to the owners for any damage or loss resulting from the exercise of the rights granted with this Approval.
- 14) The holder of this approval shall notify the Water Manager under the Water Sustainability Act when the changes have been completed.
- 15) The changes shall be completed to the satisfaction of the Water Manager under the *Water* Sustainability Act.
- 16) This Approval, or a copy of it, shall be kept or posted on the work site so that it may be shown to a Ministry official upon request.

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