



Ministry of
Forests, Lands and
Natural Resource Operations

File: 9000193

May 17, 2017

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority
Suite 600, Four Bentall Centre
1055 Dunsmuir Street
PO BOX 49260
VANCOUVER BC
V7X 1V5

Dear Karen von Muehldorfer | Regulatory Manager:

Re: Short Term Use Approval Application – 9000193 (Halfway River)

An Amendment under Section 26 (1) (e) of the *Water Sustainability Act* has been issued for the above mentioned Approval for reasons as outlined in the attached document.

This Amendment forms an integral part of your Approval and should be attached to it.

All other conditions for Approval 9000193, dated April 28th, 2017 will continue to apply.

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 is located on the Environmental Appeal Board WEB site at <http://www.eab.gov.bc.ca/>.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the document issued, please contact Robert M Piccini at 250 561-3444.

Yours truly,

Dave Francis
Water Manager

Enc.



Province of British Columbia
Water Sustainability Act

AMENDMENT

SECTION 26 (1) (e)

FILE /APPROVAL NO: 9000193

In the matter of **Approval No. 9000193** which authorizes the Short Term Use of water on the **Halfway River** for the purpose of **Industrial** (compaction, dust control and concrete curing).

Having determined that an error associated with this approval and being satisfied that no person's rights will be injuriously affected, I hereby amend Clause 1) and 6) of said approval, to read as follows:

- 1) *The stream on which the rights are granted is the Halfway River. The Latitude and longitude co-ordinate identify for this point of diversion, is as follows;
Latitude (N): 56.2168160 Longitude (W): -121.4403898*
- 6) *The Approval has been granted to use the water between July 1st, 2017 and June 30th, 2019.*

Dated at the City of Prince George, British Columbia this 17th day of May, 2017.

Dave Francis
Water Manager



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April 28, 2017

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Dear Karen von Muehldorfer | Regulatory Manager:

Re: Short Term Use Approval Application – 9000193 (Halfway River)

Approval for the above has been granted, and the approval document is attached for your perusal. Please review this document and the conditions attached within to support this activity.

The Approval holder is required to adhere to all other applicable Provincial and Federal regulations.

We wish to inform you that the Peace Rivert serves as a spawning and rearing area for fish. The protective requirement of the federal *Fisheries Act* must be met. Accordingly, it will be necessary for you to screen your water intake to protect against entry of small fish as per Freshwater Intake End-of-Pipe Fish Screen Guidelines (Department of Fisheries and Oceans, 1995). Please refer to the Fisheries and Oceans Canada Web-site (www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/Library/223669.pdf) for this publication.

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding the document issued, please contact Robert M Piccini in the Prince George office at (250) 551-3444.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dave Francis".

Dave Francis
Water Manager

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Water Management Branch, Gypsy Fisher, P.Geo.

T.E. Little Consulting Inc., Tim Little [REDACTED]

EDI Environmental Dynamics Inc., Jason Yarmish, Prince George BC



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Approval

Section 10 (1)(b) Use Approval

British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, Suite 600, Four Bentall Centre, 1055 Dunsmuir Street, PO Box 49260, Vancouver, BC V7X 1V5 and their agents are hereby authorized to divert and use water as follows:

- 1) The stream on which the rights are granted is the Halfway River. The latitude and longitude co-ordinate identify for this point of diversion, is as follows;

Latitude (N): 56.12985 Longitude (W): 121.26577

- 2) The point of diversion is located along south east bank of the bridge crossing of Highway 29 on the Halfway River Bridge, along the highway right-of-way.
- 3) This Approval does not authorize entry onto privately held or Crown land.
- 4) The purpose for which water is to be used under this Approval is Industrial (compaction, dust control and concrete curing).
- 5) The maximum daily quantity of water that may be diverted under this Approval is 500 m³ with a pump rate of 0.008 m³ per second between the months of April to October.
- 6) This Approval has been granted to use the water between April 1st to October 31st for a period of two years - terminating on October 31st, 2018.
- 7) This approval does not authorize the diversion of water for industrial use when the water flow of the Halfway River falls below 30% of the Mean Annual Discharge, as measured by Water Survey of Canada, Real-Time Hydrometric Station; A7FA006 (Halfway River near Farrell Creek), for the preservation of fish or for maintaining the health of aquatic ecosystems.
- 8) 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.
- 9) The works authorized are screened intake, pipe, pump and water truck.
- 10) The holder of this Approval will initiate those sections under the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), as it relates to this project.

- 11) The intake shall be screened according to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Freshwater Intake End-of-Pipe Fish Screen Guideline and as described in the Construction Environmental Management Plan - Site C Clean Energy Project, June 5, 2015" (CEMP).
- 12) Authorized equipment shall be free of external grease, oil or fluid leaks while operating in the vicinity of any watercourse.
- 13) To limit the spread of invasive weeds, all authorized equipment used shall be inspected and weeds shall be removed before leaving the intake site.
- 14) This Approval does not authorize any in-stream work.
- 15) Daily and total volumes of water diverted for this project shall be retained and made available for review upon request.
- 16) A copy of this Approval and the water records must be available upon request and retained by the pump operator for inspection.
- 17) The Holder of this Approval must ensure that any incidence of high significance of non-conformance to conditions of this Approval are reported to IE or IEM within 24 hours of discovery and the submission of a report within 5 days of that occurrence, in a form and manner acceptable to the Water Manager.



Dave Francis
Water Manager

Date Issued: April 28, 2017

Approval/File No. 9000193