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Dear name:

As part of the Long-Term Electricity Transmission Inquiry ("Transmission Inquiry"), BC Transmission Corporation ("BCTC") is holding a technical workshop on scenario development on August 5, 2009 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Vancouver. This workshop provides an opportunity for First Nations and registered participants in the British Columbia Utilities Commission's ("the Commission") Transmission Inquiry to provide input to BC Transmission Corporation on the development of a number of initial scenarios that will be submitted to the Commission in September as a starting point for discussion.

BC Transmission Corporation anticipates presenting similar material to First Nation communities and seeking feedback from First Nations during BC Hydro's second round of workshops that will be held in the fall. This technical workshop on August 5th, however, is an additional opportunity that BC Transmission Corporation and BC Hydro would like to make available to First Nations.

The purpose of the workshop is to provide an overview of the scenario development process and get input into the development of initial scenarios. In addition, BCTC will provide an overview of BCTC's new long-term planning modeling tool and explain how it will be used to develop transmission plans for each scenario. Energy and Environmental Economics (E3), the consultant retained for the export study, will provide an overview of the scope and methodology of the export study and how the export information will be reflected in the scenarios.



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If you are not able to attend the workshop and are interested in reviewing the materials, BC Transmission Corporation will be posting copies of the workshop information at www.bctransmission2040.com. This information will also be posted on BC Hydro's website at www.bchydro.com/transmissioninquiry. In addition, hard copies of the materials can be sent to those who indicate an interest to the contact information listed below.

If you are planning on attending the workshop, participant and travel funding for First Nation participants will be provided on the same terms as the participant funding provided to First Nations who attend the regional workshops that are being held as part of BC Hydro's consultation process on BC Hydro and BC Transmission Corporation's evidence and submissions into the Commission's Transmission Inquiry. The terms and conditions for this funding and the application form are attached.

Please note, if you are registered as a participant in the Commission's Long-Term Electricity Transmission Inquiry, you may have already received notification by e-mail of this workshop.

Further details on the workshop are attached to this letter. If you have any additional questions about this workshop, please do not hesitate to contact us by email at transmission.inquiry@bchydro.com or by telephone at 1-877-461-0161 extension 3.

Best regards,



Suromitra Sanatani
First Nation Consultation Project Manager
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Attachment

cc. Sheila Reynolds, Manager, Aboriginal & Corporate Relations, BC Hydro
Claire Marshall, Manager, Aboriginal Relations, BC Transmission Corporation

Please fax your reply to Rhea Halfnight LeFlufy at 1-888-583-4129

**Long-Term Electricity Transmission Inquiry
BC Transmission Corporation Scenario Workshop
Registration Form**

Location	The Hyatt Regency Hotel Plaza A & B 655 Burrard Street Vancouver, BC
Date & Time	August 5th, 2009 7:30 am: Registration 8:00 am – 12:30 pm: Workshop

Workshop

This BC Transmission Corporation led workshop will provide participants an opportunity to see, and give input to, the general approach to be used for transmission planning in the Section 5 Inquiry. The focus will be on the development of scenarios used to represent views of the future to determine transmission needs, and will address such issues as:

- what are "scenarios" and how are they used in the transmission planning process?
- what is the process of developing scenarios and what information and assumptions are needed?
- how are transmission plans ultimately developed from scenarios?
- what is the schedule for developing the initial scenarios and how can participants provide input into the process?

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First Nation, Tribal Council or First Nation Organization

Name of Designated Representative



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Name of Designated Representative (If Applicable)

Names of Additional Participants (Not Eligible for Participant Funding)

First Nation, Tribal Council or First Nation Organization Mailing Address

Telephone

Fax

Email Address

Contact Information for the BC Hydro & BC Transmission Corporation Long-Term Transmission Inquiry Consultation:

Phone: 1-877-461-0161 ext 3

Fax: 1-888-583-4129

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**Long-Term Electricity Transmission Inquiry
BC Transmission Corporation Scenario Workshop
First Nation Participant and Travel Funding Guidelines**

Participant funding will be provided for two representatives from each First Nation and one representative from each Tribal Council and each First Nation Organization¹ in the province to attend the workshop on scenario development on August 5th in Vancouver. Participant funding will be paid out at a rate of **\$500 per representative**, and paid directly to the First Nation, Tribal Council or First Nation Organization whose designated representative(s) attend(s) the workshop.

Where applicable, BC Hydro will reimburse the cost of travel expenses incurred by each designated representative to travel from their First Nation, Tribal Council or First Nation Organization office to the workshop, as per the amounts set out below.

Meal Expense ² - If attending workshop from out of town.	\$45.00 per day
Mileage - From the First Nation, Tribal Council or First Nation Organization office, to the location of the nearest regional workshop – applicable for travel of 25 km or more.	\$0.52 per kilometre
Hotel Accommodation - Applicable when the First Nation, Tribal Council or First Nation Organization offices are more than 50 km from the nearest regional workshop location.	\$125.00
Airfare/Ferry Fare - Subject to pre-approval of BC Hydro and providing a receipt.	Full cost of an economy class ticket

Please note that BC Hydro will not be providing participant or travel funding to participate in the British Columbia Utilities Commission's Inquiry process. To access the British Columbia Utilities Commission's participant funding guidelines, please visit the British Columbia Utilities Commission website at www.bcuc.com.

Participant Funding Payments

To receive participant funding for attending a workshop, the attached **Registration Form** will need to be completed with the names of the designated representatives attending the workshop. Each participant will be asked to sign-in on arrival at the workshop. After each workshop, a cheque will be mailed to each First Nation, Tribal Council or First Nation Organization to cover the participant and travel costs of their designated representative(s).

Travel expenses can be claimed by completing the attached **Participant Funding Travel Expense Claim Form** and submitting it to BC Hydro within 60 days after the workshop.

¹ The First Nation Organizations are: First Nation Energy and Mining Council, the BC Assembly of First Nations, the Union of BC Indian Chiefs, and the First Nation Summit.

² Complimentary morning snacks will be provided at the workshop sessions.

**Long-Term Electricity Transmission Inquiry
BC Transmission Corporation Scenario Workshop
Participant Funding Travel Expense Claim Form**

First Nation or Tribal Council: _____

Name of Designated Representative: _____

Date	Detail of Expenses	Amount
TOTAL		

I hereby certify that all expenses claimed were incurred to attend the BC Transmission Corporation workshop on scenario planning related to the British Columbia Utilities Commission’s Long-Term Electricity Transmission Inquiry.

Signature of Claimant

Date

Reimbursement cheques for Travel Expenses will be issued to the applicable First Nation, Tribal Council or First Nation Organization. Where necessary please attach receipts.

Please return this completed form to:

**Rhea Halfnight LeFlufy
Aboriginal Relations and Negotiations
BC Hydro
6911 Southpoint Drive – 16th Floor
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