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Mr. Patrick Wruck
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Dear Mr. Wruck

**RE: British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC or Commission)
British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro)
Site C Clean Energy Project
COVID-19 Impact and Risk Mitigation Bi-Weekly Report No. 29**

BC Hydro writes in response to the BCUC's letter dated April 1, 2020 (the **Letter**) to provide a bi-weekly update on the current status of the COVID-19 Pandemic situation on the Site C Clean Energy Project (**Project**).

In the Letter, the BCUC asked for:

- 1.0 An update on the current status of the Pandemic situation on-site, including numbers of workers who: have ceased work on the Project; those who continue to work on the Project; and anyone who remains on-site, but who is not actively working on the Project. Also, any confirmed Pandemic cases to-date, and the work status and location of these individuals. We request an update to this information on a bi-weekly basis while the Provincial State of Emergency in British Columbia remains in effect.

BC Hydro Response

BC Hydro reports the total number of workers on site as a whole and does not distinguish between the project work areas. There is an approximate four to six-week lag from when BC Hydro receives this information as it is collected and reported from the contractors on the Project.

Since the last bi-weekly report, BC Hydro confirms that eight contractor workers have tested positive for COVID-19. Since March 2020, BC Hydro has been notified of 108 people testing positive for COVID-19 while working on the Site C project. As of

May 18, 2021, there are six active cases of COVID-19 on the Project and 102 cases that have cleared.

On April 28, 2021, the Medical Health Officer of Northern Health declared an outbreak on the Site C project. This step has been taken to ensure the health and safety of the project workforce and members of the public. Northern Health has determined there is no need to stop work on the project, and work continues as planned.

The declaration will remain in place until 28 days after the last positive test (currently May 31, 2021 based on the last positive test being was May 3, 2021). Cases have been steadily declining since the outbreak was declared and there are currently no active cases related to the outbreak.

The Site C vaccination program resumed on Thursday, April 22, 2021. Northern Health has since authorized Site C to expand the AstraZeneca vaccination program to include Site C workers 18 years of age and older. Over the weekend of May 15 to 17, the medical clinic began administering second doses of the AstraZeneca vaccine to qualified individuals. As of May 18, 2021, a total of 1,683 vaccines have been administered, including 70 second doses. This figure does not include workers who have been vaccinated in their home communities.

BC Hydro is being very cautious and is applying all public health guidelines. We are requiring people with any slight symptoms to self-isolate. As of May 18, 2021, there are 16 people in isolation in the camp under the medical supervision of the on-site health clinic, and 19 people isolating at home.

BC Hydro continues to work with the Northern Health Authority and strictly follows all federal and provincial health guidelines to protect other workers in the camp and the local community.

For the most up to date information on Site C and COVID-19, please visit the Site C COVID-19 updates website at www.sitecproject.com/COVID-19.

For further information, please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,



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