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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. 32**

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 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.

2.0 **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 Site C Project.

Since the last bi-weekly report, BC Hydro confirms that six contractor workers have tested positive for COVID-19. Since March 2020, BC Hydro has been notified of 128 people testing positive for COVID-19 while working on the Site C Project. As of June 29, 2021, there are zero active cases of COVID-19 on the Site C Project and 128 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 was taken to ensure the health and safety of the project workforce and members of the public. Northern Health determined there was no need to stop work on the project, and work continued as planned.

On June 23, Northern Health declared the outbreak was over. In total, 56 cases were associated with the outbreak. All cases have since recovered.

Northern Health has also notified BC Hydro that BC Hydro's approach to isolation requirements for fully vaccinated workers going forward. Close contacts will no longer have to isolate if a full week has passed since they received their second vaccine dose and no exposures occurred within that seven-day period. Even with the change in policy, BC Hydro remains very cautious and continues to apply all public health guidelines. As of June 29, 2021, there are four people in isolation in the camp under the medical supervision of the on-site health clinic and 10 people are isolating at home.

As of June 29, 2021, a total of 2,964 vaccines have been administered, including 1,252 second doses. This figure does not include workers who have been vaccinated in their home communities.

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 the Site C Project 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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