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To whom it may concern:

MNA Region 5 is the regional, rights-bearing Métis community that has Métis s. 35 rights throughout our traditional territory. We are the “The Lesser Slave Lake Métis Territory” and live in Region 5 as the regional, rights-bearing Métis community. Our traditional territory overlaps other regional area boundaries of the Métis Nation of Alberta (MNA). MNA Region 5 is part of the Métis Nation within Alberta, as well as the larger Métis Nation in Canada. Our Métis people are bound together by a shared history, common genealogy, a common language, cultural practises, and social traditions. Our people have the right to harvest for food or spiritual uses, or to undertake social, and ceremonial activities on lands throughout northern and central Alberta.

Our community could be potentially impacted by the proposed Moraine Power Generation Project (the project). We ask to be formally consulted on the project.

Métis members of MNA Region 5 undertake several cultural and harvesting activities in the project area as well as locations upstream and downstream of the proposed project within the Athabasca River drainage basin. Any potential impact to the river, lands and wildlife from construction activity or any other industry related activity could impact the Indigenous rights of Métis people.

At this time, we do not have an adequate amount of information on any existing condition’s that could positively or negatively affect our ability to exercise or practice our Indigenous rights in the project area. Moreover, we do not know how the Moraine Power Generation Project could affect our ability to exercise or practice our Indigenous Rights. Hence, we do not have any recommendations how to avoid or minimize impacts to our Indigenous Rights by the project.

We recommend the Moraine Power Generation Project undertake consultation with our organization to discuss a Métis Traditional Land Use Study of the proposed project to review the potentially impacted lands where the project buildings, associated electrical powerlines and all connected pipelines will be located prior to their respective project construction activities.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (780) 380-1468 or email me at wandreeff@metis.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Walter Andreeff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'W'.

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