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Sent by email to: Riverside@iaac-aeic.gc.ca

Subject: Health Canada's Comments on the Initial Project Description for the Riverside Power Generating Station Project

Dear Anna Vypovska,

Thank you for your email dated September 15, 2025, requesting Health Canada's comments on the Initial Project Description (IPD) for the Riverside Power Generating Station Project (the Project).

Health Canada participates in the impact assessment process as a federal authority under the *Impact Assessment Act* (IAA). Health Canada makes available specialist/expert information or knowledge in its possession to reviewing bodies under the IAA, upon request. Health Canada does not make decisions or issue licenses, permits, or authorizations in relation to the impact assessment of a development project.

Health Canada has reviewed the IPD and provided advice in the Attachment (Federal Authority Advice Record or FAAR form). The following highlights the department's key comment pertaining to potential non-negligible adverse effects on the health of Indigenous Peoples:

- In the absence of comprehensive information on all potential air emissions associated with the Project, their exposure levels at Indigenous receptor locations, and the effectiveness of proposed mitigation measures, these emissions may adversely affect the health of Indigenous Peoples, particularly in areas already

experiencing degraded air quality and documented health effects. Health Canada recommends that these concerns be addressed through continued engagement with potentially impacted Indigenous communities and implementation of an air quality monitoring program and all feasible mitigation measures to reduce Project-related air emissions.

Should you have any questions concerning Health Canada's comments, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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Attachment: Federal Authority Advice Record (FAAR)