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The Honourable John Baird
Minister of Transport Canada
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Dear Minister Baird:

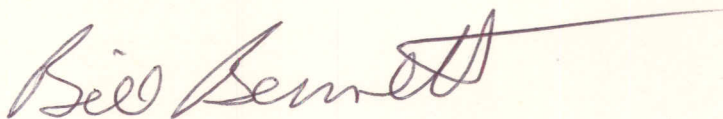
The Province of British Columbia, as represented by the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, recognizes that the Federal Government considers the provision of clean, renewable, reliable energy to the communities of Iskut and Eddontenajon to be important.

The Province also recognizes that the Federal Government's commitment to provide funding assistance towards the cost of constructing the Northwest Transmission Line (NTL) project is premised on the understanding that those communities will be connected to the grid within twelve (12) months of substantial completion of the NTL project. The Province wishes to assure the Federal Government that it intends to do so.

At this time, a number of different options for implementing the connection are being considered, however, little detail in the way of design or planning has been carried out, as this connection is several years away from construction. The Province wishes to assure the Federal Government that those communities will be connected to the grid following completion of the NTL project.

The Government of British Columbia appreciates Canada's support for the NTL project.

Sincerely,



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