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To The Clean Environment Commissioner,

This letter is taking the Keeyask Project into consideration. I understand that the project is looking into building a hydroelectric dam 58 kilometres east of Split Lake and 30 kilometres west of Gillam. Although the generating station will be a source of new energy, there are much more important things to consider. The following are some of the things to quickly deliberate; water levels, the surrounding lands, wildlife, and some of the important plants that most First Nation people use for medicinal purposes.

The water levels will be dropping and escalating in the future because of the hydro dams, which will be harmful for the wildlife and the communities that live by the Gull Lake. This will raise cost in damages that the hydro will be responsible for. The wildlife is important for all people that enjoy trapping, fishing and hunting. The raising and dropping of water levels will affect all wildlife that dwell in the Gull Lake. The important medicinal plants will be lost due to flooding.

I would have wrote a better letter for you to read, but I had only a short time to write a little letter on my thoughts for the Keeyask Project.

Sincerely, a grade 12 student of Pimichikamak Cree Nation,

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