

November 3, 2014

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Dear Mr. Topping:

As you are aware, the Clean Environment Commission has been charged with a review of the application by Manitoba Hydro for a final Lake Winnipeg Regulation Water Power Act Licence.

During our discussions within and outside the Commission the issue of drainage of Lake Manitoba has arisen. The questions that have been put forward are:

- If and when a drainage channel is built from Lake Manitoba to Lake Winnipeg, how much water will be flowing from one lake to the next?
- What will be the timing of this flow (seasonal, intermittent or continuous)?
- What is the expected impact on water levels in Lake Winnipeg?
- What are the expected local and lake-wide environmental impacts?

If you could provide some insight into the above questions or have any other information that you feel would be helpful in our deliberations it would greatly appreciated.

If we could receive a response by early January 2015, before we begin community hearings, it would greatly assist the Panel.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Sargeant". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "T" and "S".

Terry Sargeant  
Chair