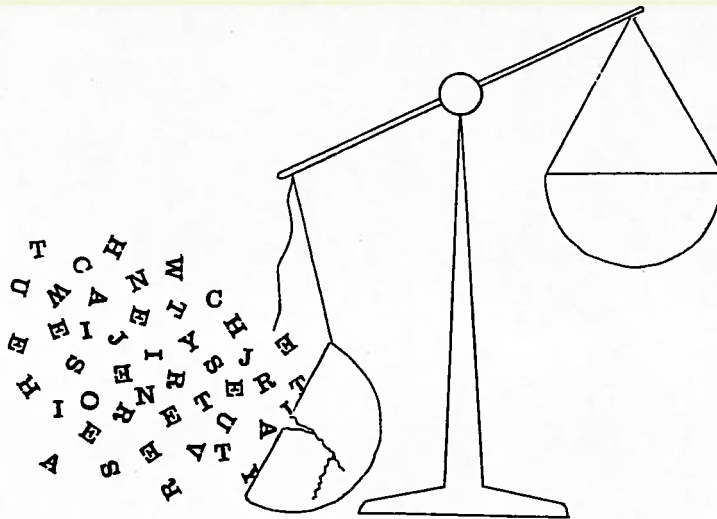


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BEFORE THE CLEAN ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION
RE: THE KEYASK GENERATING STATION



Good evening Mr. Chairman, Members of the Commission and all others in attendance. My name is Allan Ciekiewicz and I live a short distance north east of Winnipeg.

I found the initial comments made by the partners of the project to be very interesting and disturbing for the following reasons.

1. Manitoba Hydro's unexceptable attitude has not changed all that much over the many decades.
2. My involvement with Hydro began around the year 2000. In my opinion Manitoba's Northern Residents affected by the Keeyask Project have to be very careful when they deal with or enter into partnerships with Manitoba Hydro.
3. I say this because Manitoba Hydro still manifests their attitude of the 1960's. I make the following statements as a reminder of Manitoba Hydro's past indiscretions of the 1960's when they dealt a devastating blow to the Northern Residents.
- 4 Manitoba Hydro's recent television commercials in support of Manitoba Hydro's development of the North
 - (a) In those commercials Mr. Adams stated how it **was incredible** to help build the northern hydro stations but forgot to mention the **incredible events that caused devastation to the Northern Residents of Manitoba.**
 - (b) Yude Henteleff, a lawyer for the Northern Residents, in a December 1986 interview regarding Hydro's 1968 application for the Churchill River Diversion, South Indian Lake stated:

....The fact is that they(Hydro) were totally ill-prepared. They approached the situation with considerable arrogance, and felt that anybody who questioned them was, in effect, questioning God. Somehow, they were touched with infallibility in terms of decisions. Who had the temerity to question them?

- (c) As will be evidenced by the remainder of this presentation it is oh so unfortunate that after 45 years Manitoba Hydro still exhibits that same arrogance.
- (d) Manitoba Hydro's recent television commercials in my opinion were misleading by leaving out important information such as the negative impacts that do occur due to firm export contracts, droughts etc.....
- (e) Every Manitoba Hydro television commercial related to development of the North made the comment that

....today it is a new generations' job to provide reliable energy for the future; it's our turn to invest....

I assume that means what it says that being; in other words it is not the old generations' job to invest once again.

- (f) In another one of those commercials a gentleman states that

..seventy years later much of our system needs to be replaced. .

The question begs to be asked what the H was Manitoba Hydro doing for seventy years. Does that mean that Manitoba Hydro has failed to maintain, to a high standard, the system that Manitobans have relied on for the past seventy years?

- (g) The unfortunate and probably deliberate action of Manitoba Hydro to eliminate from their television commercials the fact that much of this monstrous investment for the new generating stations in the North is to provide power not just for Manitobans but for exports. If Manitoba Hydro would concentrate on providing power for Manitobans first and foremost then we would not be in the present unfortunate predicament of having to invest, unnecessarily, billions upon billions of dollars in our Hydro system.
- (h) **Can we really believe what Manitoba Hydro tells us. Actually can the Cree Nations and the MMF believe what Manitoba Hydro tells them ??**

5. the elusive 75 : 25 debt: equity ratio

- (a) After the 2002 / 2004 drought Manitoba Hydro told us that it would take several years of good water conditions to recoup the losses due to the drought .
- (b) Manitoba Hydro would not recover to the pre-drought debt : equity ratio of 80 : 20 until 2012.
- (c) That 80 : 20 debt equity ratio was achieved in 2006
- (d) By 2008 Hydro achieved its elusive debt : equity ratio of 75:25 or better. That is the ratio that Hydro had always stated was an indicator of the Corporation meeting its financial targets.
- (e) But did that result in lower rates for Manitoba Hydro customers; No it didn't the rates skyrocketed and continue to do so.
- (f) This indicates the inability of Manitoba Hydro to make accurate forecasts / projections / predictions / and it is having a negative effect on ratepayers. **Can we believe Manitoba Hydro ?**

6. The Selkirk Thermal Generating Station (coal-fired and converted to gas-fired in 2002) and its Environmental Impact Assessment 2005

6 (i) coal-fired

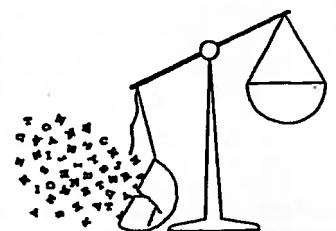
- (a) Because the coal-fired Station lacked efficient pollution control devices Selkirk Station's sole purpose was to provide power for Manitobans if the supply of power for Manitobans was threatened.
- (b) It was predicted that for a worst case scenario that the Station would have to provide 450 000 MWh of power for Manitoba.
- (c) For the years 1998 and 2000 the Selkirk Station surpassed the worst case scenario production when in fact there was no worst case scenario and never has been one.
- (d) But, Hydro thought it acceptable to use the Station, one of the dirtiest generating stations, to shower the area with thousands of tonnes of pollutants so that they could export more power to the United States.
- (e) Manitoba Hydro admitted that they used the Station for export purposes and such an action violated the operating licence.
- (f) To add insult to injury Manitoba Hydro bragged how great it was to be able to help the Americans reduce their emissions of pollutants into the environment while emitting those same pollutants into our environment instead. **How sick is that?**

6 (ii) the gas-fired Selirk Station

- (h) For 2 or 3 years I was an interested individual regarding Selirk's EIS 2005.
- (i) Manitoba Hydro was reluctant to give me accurate and complete responses to many of my questions / concerns.
- (j) A glaring mistake in the EIS indicated that the 24-hour lead emissions would be 239 times greater than if the Station operated at a 15% generation mode (running the station continually for 54 days)
- (k) That is an impossibility but Hydro in its wisdom stated that since the amounts of lead were so small that it didn't affect the conclusions of the EIS.
- (L) I was never made aware if Hydro actually corrected the mistake and makes you wonder how many other mistakes are part of that 2005 EIS. And how about the current EIS for Keeyask?
- (m) I used existing facts to determine accurate carbon dioxide emissions. Hydro thought their method, I assume based on modelling techniques, was more accurate and it is difficult to believe how a model is needed when the required facts are in existence.
- (o) If modelling was used to determine the extent of flooding that will occur due to the construction of the Keeyask Generating Station what will be the consequences if, after years of operation, the modelling turns out to be inaccurate causing negative effects to the Residents of the North?

(p) continuing with the Selkirk 2005 EIS

- (q) In 2008 the Director of licencing issued a new operating licence for the Selkirk Station.
- (r) In the past those who were involved with an EIS were notified of the issuance of a new licence.
- (s) The Director made a deliberate choice not to notify me of the issuance of the licence in a timely manner and when I was made aware of the issuance of the licence the time set for the appeal process, if I so desired to appeal, had expired.
- (t) There is no doubt in my mind that the Director made a conniving decision to thwart my ability to be able to appeal the licence if I so desired. That Director is Ms. Tracey Braun who made a presentation before this Clean Environment Commission.



- (u) I wrote to the Minister of Conservation asking for an extension to make an appeal if I so desired.
- (v) The Minister of Conservation in his May 20, 2009 response to my request stated that there was never an application to issue a new, or to alter an existing licence and therefore, there never was, nor is there, an appeal process.
- (w) BUT, the new licence was issued April 30 2008 one year earlier than his outrageous comment.
- (x) The sad part of this situation, and very important to the Residents of the North is that such an ill-informed Minister of Conservation recently was given the role as the Minister Responsible for the Administration of the Manitoba Hydro Act; that would be Minister Struthers. To all the Residents of the North good luck.
- (y) **more inappropriate actions related to Selkirk's 2005 EIS**

I submitted a Complaint to the Ombudsman Department. Director Braun's responses to the Ombudsman Department's investigation of my Complaint made statements about me, my Complaint and the issued operating licence that were misleading, not accurate and in some cases could be labelled as false. However, the Ombudsman Department agreed with me that indeed a new licence was issued and it was appealable but based on the flawed responses of Director Braun, the Ombudsman Department made inappropriate and unnecessary additions to my original Complaint.

Residents of the North, please understand that you should be aware of the fact that the reality of Manitoba Hydro coupled with the Struthers / Braun duo may not be the reality that you are seeking.

7. For years I have had a lingering concern regarding the development of the North, apparently for the benefit of the Northern Residents. To be blunt, in the 1960's Manitoba Hydro just stepped all over the Residents of the North and **used their Land with no thought of the consequences to the Northern Residents.** Now, and it appears in order to make amends for Hydro's past indiscretions, Manitoba Hydro is

involving the Residents of the North in more development of the North. That sounds great but Manitoba Hydro is still using the Northern Residents' Land as Hydro did in the 1960's. Now Manitoba Hydro is once again using the assets / resources, the Land of the Northern Residents to apparently re-pay the Residents of the North for Manitoba Hydro's past blunders. In other words the Residents of the North, by allowing Hydro to use their Land now, are paying themselves back with their own Land, for Hydro's past indiscretions. Is there a different solution other than building another dam ? Common sense dictates that there probably is. Now is the correct time for a Needs For and Alternatives To hearing regarding the Residents of the North

In the words of Rosie Dumas a South Indian Lake resident in the nineteen sixties stated in January of 1974:

....The Hydro has no thought of the people of South Indian Lake, only of the power he can get out of it....

Forty-five years later can we believe what Manitoba Hydro tells us.

8. To bring my presentation up to 2013, I wrote Manitoba Hydro's CEO Scott Thomson a March 18, 2013 letter due to comments that he had been making regarding Hydro matters. The letter consisted of approximately 15 questions / concerns. Little did I know that today, November 14, 2013, I would still be requesting of Mr. Thomson to answer my questions / concerns. Mr. Thomson in his wisdom had one of Manitoba Hydro's lawyers attempt to answer my questions / concerns. However, the lawyer replying on Mr. Thomson's behalf stated that since I was a presenter at earlier hearings, that since many of my questions were related to the upcoming Needs For and Alternatives To hearing and that since my questions were of a technical nature(which is completely false) that I would not receive responses to my questions / concerns and I didn't. Apparently my questions / concerns did not fall into Hydro's category as "**Customer Service Concerns**" What a mind-boggling statement. It was suggested that I work with the Consumers Association. Hydro's CEO Thomson is making comments regarding Hydro matters and Hydro expects me to ask the Consumers Association to justify the CEO's comments. Come on Hydro you're joking ! Following is an example of **one** of my questions of Mr. Thomson. Since Manitoba Hydro is **always** reminding Manitobans of the fact that we have some of the lowest rates in North America due to export revenues I asked Mr. Thomson the following question:

...how much higher (the actual accurate amount) would our residential rate of \$0.07183 per kWh be without the benefits of the allocated export revenues used for decreasing residential rates?.....

The lawyer's one and only attempt to respond to my 15 questions was that for the last 10 years our rates would be approximately 25% higher and higher if the preceding decade was considered. But I didn't ask about previous decades. My request was specific to "now" and it appears that Manitoba Hydro does not know the exact amount that export revenues contribute to lowering our residential rates "now". So why are we constantly being told that our low rates are the result of export revenues. Currently and in my opinion " export revenues" and their questionable advantage to ratepayers' rates are in a shambles. In fact Hydro's inappropriate focus on exports may, in the long run, be very detrimental to residential rates.

It is very unfortunate or maybe a Hydro deception that if many of my questions directed to Mr. Thomson were related to the upcoming Needs For and Alternatives To hearing, and since Hydro submitted 5000 pages of NFAT documents to the Public Utilities Board, why won't Hydro tell me where in those 5000 pages I can find the answers to my questions / concerns. The arrogance of Manitoba Hydro continues. What a shame or maybe a sham.

9. Now is the correct time for a Needs For and Alternatives To hearing regarding the Residents of the North in order to find an alternative to building another dam.

10. In conclusion; to all of Manitoba's Northern Residents affected by the Keeyask Project; if you approve the Keeyask Project you will need the strength of the Eagle Feather to give you the Power to soar above your Lands and give you Sight to oversee the Keeyask Project in order to realize YOUR VISION for YOUR People while controlling YOUR LAND . Please remember the comments of Rosie Dumas and Yude Henteleff !

Ladies and gentlemen of the Clean Environment Commission thank you for this opportunity.