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MacPherson Leslie & Tyerman TAQA North Ltd.

Attention: John Gruber Attention: Michael Bolianatz

Dear Mr. Gruber and Mr. Bolianatz:

Re: Proceeding ID 337

**Hearing Participation Decision** 

The panel has reviewed the December 2, 2015, request to participate submitted by TAQA North Ltd. (Taqa), and the December 8 response submission from John Gruber, counsel for Roy and Melanie Schulze.

Taqa submitted that it is the owner of the pipeline subject to the removal application and therefore will be directly and adversely affected. The Schulzes indicated they take no issue with Taqa's request to participate fully in the hearing.

The panel agrees that Taqa may be affected by a decision on this application and as such confers full participation rights on Taqa. Taqa will have an opportunity to file submissions, present evidence, cross-examine, and provide argument in the hearing. Submissions and evidence must be filed in accordance with filing dates set out by the AER. Submissions must include copies of all documentary evidence each party intends to present or rely on at the hearing, including copies of expert reports, presentations, photographs, articles, videos, and any other evidence it intends to present. A notice of scheduling of hearing will be issued once dates are confirmed.

If Taqa withdraws from the hearing process, the application may be dispositioned without further notice.

As a point of clarification, the panel requests that Taqa explain a statement from its June 3, 2015, statement of concern. The panel would like an explanation of the meaning of "willing to discuss the removal of problematic portions of the pipeline." Please do not include any information that could be considered confidential.

Taqa is requested to provide this explanation by 1:00 on Wednesday, January 6, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact the hearing coordinator, Jennifer Koppe.

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Sincerely,

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