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**RE: TransCanada Pipelines Limited (TransCanada) White Spruce Pipeline
Project Proceeding ID 353**

Dear Counsel,

This letter is further to correspondence received from you on August 15 and 17, regarding materials TransCanada provided on August 14.

The panel has considered the submissions on this matter and has decided not to accept the 6 documents itemized in TransCanada's August 14 letter as exhibits for the hearing at this time. The panel has not reviewed the 6 documents that were provided.

The panel established a formal information request (IR) process to provide Fort McKay First Nation (Fort McKay) the opportunity to seek additional information in advance of their submissions. Timelines were established in a July 28, 2017 letter to provide for a timely and efficient hearing process. TransCanada's responses to the IR requests should provide a rationale and clear link to Fort McKay's IRs.

If the panel determines that TransCanada has provided information that is not related to Fort McKay's IRs, it will either not be allowed on the record of this hearing, or timelines will be adjusted to provide Fort McKay additional time for review and potential further IRs.

In sum, the 6 documents provided by TransCanada on August 14 will not form part of this hearing record or be assigned exhibit numbers at this time. TransCanada may file these materials as part of their responses to Fort McKay's IRs with rationales as to how they respond and are relevant to the IRs. As TransCanada's deadline for IR responses is

tomorrow, August 18th, TransCanada may request further time to provide fulsome responses if required, recognizing that this may impact future deadlines for all parties.

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Sincerely,

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