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Natural Resources Conservation Board
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Attention: Laura Friend

Dear Madam:

**Re: Alberta Transportation - Springbank Off-Stream Reservoir Project
NRCB Application No. 1701**

On December 18, 2020, Alberta Transportation filed the *Springbank Off-Stream Project Preliminary Design Report* (“PDR”), which has been assigned Exhibit No. 159. As stated in the cover letter enclosing the PDR, Appendices B-F were not included in the filing.

As further set out in the cover letter, Alberta Transportation invited any parties that wished to view Appendices B, C, D, E and F (herein the “**Appendices**”) to advise in which case Alberta Transportation would provide same. On January 26, 2021, Mr. Secord, on behalf of his clients the Springbank Community Landowners Group, made such a request.

Further to Mr. Secord’s request, and so as to make the Appendices available to all parties, Alberta Transportation is filing the Appendices with the NRCB. The Appendices can be accessed via the NRCB website.

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Mr. Secord also requested the “electrical and mechanical control/system information” referred to in section 8.7 of the PDR. Alberta Transportation advises that the electrical and mechanical control/system design is still in progress. This sequencing is typical given that the electrical and mechanical control/system information relies heavily on the structural and gate design, therefore preparation occurs later into the design schedule.

Mr. Secord also requested the draft Operations Manual referred to in section 8.1.3. of the PDR. As clearly stated in the section, a draft Operations Manual will be developed but is not at present complete. An Operations Manual for a water control structure, such as SR1, requires coordination with the electrical and mechanical equipment to be selected by the contractor during construction and is, therefore, typically developed in parallel with construction and commissioning of the Project. Consequently, this information is not available at this time.

Should the Board have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours truly,



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