

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: NEEDS FOR AND ALTERNATIVES TO (NFAT) REVIEW OF MANITOBA HYDRO'S PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR KEEYASK AND CONAWAPA GENERATING STATIONS

On April 25, 2013, the Government of Manitoba issued Terms of Reference to The Public Utilities Board (PUB) regarding the Needs For And Alternatives To (NFAT) Review of Manitoba Hydro's proposed Preferred Development Plan for the construction of the Keeyask Generating Station and Conawapa Generating Station, associated domestic transmission facilities, export contracts, and Canada-U.S. transmission interconnection facilities.

The NFAT Review is being conducted under the authority of Section 107 of *The Public Utilities Board Act* (*The PUB Act*) for the purpose of making a Report, with recommendations to the Minister responsible for the administration of *The PUB Act*, upon completion of the PUB's investigations and deliberations. The PUB intends to provide its Report by June 20, 2014.

Manitoba Hydro filed a submission with respect to its Preferred Development Plan on August 16, 2013. Other documents including public presentations, Independent Expert Consultants' Reports and other evidence can be viewed on the Board's website at www.pub.gov.mb.ca

Scope

The scope of the PUB's NFAT Review is governed by the Government's Terms of Reference, which can be found on the PUB's website at www.pub.gov.mb.ca or by contacting the PUB at the address set out below.

Presentations

The public is invited to participate in the NFAT Review by applying, as soon as possible, to be a Presenter to submit brief oral and/or written Presentations. All persons seeking Presenter status should familiarize themselves with the Terms of Reference, including the scope and procedure set out therein. Presentations will be scheduled and heard by the Board on **Thursday**, **February 27**, **2014** in the Board's Hearing Room.

Hearing Date and Location

The Board will convene the oral evidentiary portion of the NFAT Hearing on the following date, time, and location:

Monday, March 3, 2014 @ 9:00 AM Hearing Room – 4th Floor, 330 Portage Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba

The Board anticipates that the Hearing will continue Monday to Friday over a period of eight weeks.

Procedure

The PUB's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as modified by the NFAT Terms of Reference, apply to the PUB's NFAT Review. All parties should familiarize themselves with both documents. The PUB's Rules of Practice and Procedure are available on the PUB's website at www.pub.gov.mb.ca. Any interested party can also request a paper copy from the PUB by writing the PUB at the address below or emailing the PUB at publicutilities@gov.mb.ca.

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DATED this 27th day of January, 2014

"Original Signed By"

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Wheelchair access is available



Five days notice required

