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To: All companies regulated by the Canada Energy Regulator (CER)

New process and template for public participation for section 214 applications

This letter is to inform companies about a new process and template for public participation for applications pursuant to section 214 of the Canadian Energy Regulator Act (CER Act). These changes are based on the CER's commitment to using transparent processes that are built on early engagement and inclusive participation. The CER is also committed to continuing to enable decisions to be made in a timely manner.

The CER's Early Engagement Guide provides that companies are expected to notify potentially affected persons and communities that the application has been filed with the CER.

The CER has developed a new template, "Notice of Application (pursuant to section 214 of the CER Act)", which can be found on the CER's website.

The CER expects that companies will use the template "Notice of Application (pursuant to section 214 of the CER Act)" to inform all potentially affected persons and communities that a section 214 application has been filed with the CER. This includes providing notice to all potentially affected Indigenous peoples.

Effective 2 February 2023, companies that submit any new section 214 project notifications with the CER will be expected to issue the new template "Notice of Application (pursuant to section 214 of the CER Act)" immediately after they file their project application with the CER. Companies that do not issue the new template "Notice of Application (pursuant to section 214 of the CER Act)" may experience delays in the application assessment process. The Commission of the CER will no longer issue a subsequent CER Notice of Application.

Yours sincerely,

Signed by

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