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Dear Mr. McCormick,

NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL) North Montney Mainline Project - Certificate GC-125 Saulteau First Nations (SFN) Request to Participate in Detailed Route Hearing

The National Energy Board (Board) is in receipt of your letter dated 12 November 2015, as well as NGTL's response dated 13 November 2015. SFN requested an opportunity to participate in the detailed route hearing. Furthermore, SFN requested that the Board forward the location and time of the hearing to SFN.

The Hearing Order for the detailed route hearing will be released shortly and the Board will ensure that a copy is sent to SFN. The Hearing Order will set out the location and time of the hearing, timetable of events, as well as the information to be included in an application to participate. The Board encourages SFN to review the information and instructions in the Hearing Order once it has been issued and to supplement its 12 November 2015 letter as needed. This could include filing detailed maps or more specific information about the areas of concern mentioned in SFN's 12 November 2015 letter. If you require further assistance regarding the hearing process or how to participate, please contact Katie Emond, Process Advisor, at 1-800-899-1265 (toll-free) or by email NorthMontneyProject@neb-one.gc.ca.

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SFN also requested the opportunity to participate in any pre-hearing information or alternative dispute sessions that may be organized by the Board. If the Board decides to hold a pre-hearing information session, it will release the details closer to the hearing date. The Board's Appropriate Dispute Resolution (ADR) process is voluntary. As noted in the Board's *Pipeline Regulation in Canada: A Guide for Landowners and the Public*, the sessions are private unless all parties agree that the information can be shared outside of the ADR participants. If you are interested in learning more about the ADR services offered by the Board, please contact Lorna Patterson, Engagement and ADR Specialist, at 403-221-3010 or Lorna.Patterson@neb-one.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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