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The Honourable Siobhan Coady  
Minister of Natural Resources  
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Dear Minister:

**RE: Rate Mitigation Options and Impacts Reference**

This is a follow-up to my letter of April 25, 2019 wherein I advised that the Board has suspended its work on the analysis of options to mitigate rates that may arise from Muskrat Falls financing pending the outcome of planned discussions between the provincial Government and the Government of Canada on the financial structure of the Muskrat Falls project.

The reports of the Board's consultants have now been released and the public hearing for the Reference is scheduled to begin on October 3, 2019, with final submissions from Nalcor and parties to be filed on November 1, 2019. It would be helpful for planning purposes as the Reference work proceeds to know when the Board can expect to receive information on the outcome of these discussions so that consideration of any key policy issues that may be required can be included in the Board's final report.

Sincerely,

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