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Dear Reviewer,

We are pleased to present you with the Environmental Report ("ER") for the proposed Serpent River – Four Slide Falls Generating Station. It has been prepared as required under the Class Environmental Assessment for Waterpower Projects. The ER incorporates the planning principles as outlined in the Class Environmental Assessment for MNR Resource Stewardship and Facility Development Projects, under the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. Furthermore, it meets requirements of a federal screening under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA)*.

The ER will be available for a 30-calendar day review period. This review period is meant to allow for an opportunity for all stakeholders to identify issues. Thus, this ER is being made available for review and comment from **August 31, 2011** through to **September 29, 2011**.

Xeneca must receive all comments in writing regarding the proposed Project and/or the ER no later than September 29, 2011. It is preferred that comments be received during the earliest days of the review period to allow all involved parties a significant period for resolving any issues during the remainder of the review.

The Environmental Report may be viewed electronically at:

http://www.xeneca.com/clasea_process/eas_currently_under_review/index.html

All comments and correspondence should be sent to:

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As per the process outlined in the Class EA, interested parties must first attempt to resolve any outstanding issues with the proponent during the review period. In the event that issues cannot be resolved, the concerned party may make a written request to the Minister of the Environment at the address noted below for a Part II Order under the Environmental Assessment Act. A copy of the Part II Order request must also be sent to Xeneca at the address noted above.

Minister of the Environment
12th Floor, 135 St. Clair Avenue West
Toronto, ON M4V 1P5

Requests for Part II Orders must be made in accordance with the provisions set out in the Class Environmental Assessment and must be received by the Minister of the Environment and Xeneca no later than September 29, 2011.

Under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* and the *Environmental Assessment Act*, unless otherwise stated in the submission, any personal information such as name, address, telephone number and property location included in a submission will become part of the public record files for this matter and will be released, if requested, to any person.

Overall, this Class EA and the conceptual plans for the proposed project meet requirements of the Ontario and Federal environmental assessment process and the objectives of the *Green Energy and Green Economy Act, 2009*. It creates positive environmental and socio-economic benefits for the people of Ontario.

Xeneca looks forward to comments by reviewers of this Environmental Report prepared under this Class EA and if written comment is being submitted to other parties requests that it is copied to Xeneca.

Thank you to all participants in advance for your kind consideration of this Class EA.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Patrick W. Gillette". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Patrick Gillette
President
Xeneca Power Development Inc.