

# **Supporting Document**

## **Request for Attestation of Exemption Project to Build a New Access Road in the Northern Village of Aupaluk**

### **Responses to Questions and Comments**

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# 1. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

## Responses to questions and comments from Hydro-Québec

### 1.1 Question-Comment #1

The proponent stated that an ecological characterization study was conducted in late 2022 and early 2023 and that one watercourse was potentially affected by this work. However, no additional information was submitted regarding this characterization. The proponent must table the ecological characterization study.

#### 1.1.1 Reply HQ—QC No. 1

The environmental assessment conducted by SNC Lavalin in the summer of 2022 found that there were no watercourses in the limited study area or work site area (see page 38, Aquatic Environments section). The information is available in the preliminary environmental assessment report. See Appendix A: Environmental Assessment – New Thermal Generating Station in the Northern Village of Aupaluk.

### 1.2 Question-Comment #2

The proponent stated that materials required to build the access road will be sourced from a quarry or borrow pit about 1 km west of the work site. The proponent must indicate: whether these are new operations; their surface area; whether they have been authorized; and, if so, the current authorization holders. A map showing the location of operations should be provided.

#### 1.2.1 Reply HQ — QC #2

The supply/production of granular materials is the responsibility of the contractor who will build the access road. Licensing and authorization for a new quarry (if necessary) is the responsibility of the contractor. Hydro-Québec will not operate any quarries/sandpits or gravel pits as part of this project.

### **1.3 Question-Comment #3**

The proponent stated that the Aupaluk Landholding Corporation passed a resolution approving the preferred construction site for the new thermal generating station, including the construction of an access road. The proponent must provide this resolution.

#### **1.3.1 Reply HQ—QC #3**

The Aupaluk Land Corporation resolution is attached hereto. See Appendix B: Aupaluk Corporation Resolution No. 2022-26 (dated 2022-05-18).

# **APPENDIX A**

## **Environmental Assessment New Thermal Generating Station in the Northern Village of Aupaluk**

## **APPENDIX B**

### **Aupaluk Corporation Resolution 2022-26**