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**Via E-Mail:** <email address removed>

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Dear Mr. Patchell:

**Re: Clarification Regarding Time to Review Information Request Responses**

On November 26, 2021, Biigtigong Nishnaabeg filed a letter with the Joint Review Panel ("**JRP**" or "**Panel**") with a request for additional time to review and assess Generation PGM Inc.'s ("**GenPGM**") response to the JRP's information requests (Reference no. [952](#)) ("**Review Request**").

In the Review Request, Biigtigong Nishnaabeg expressed concern that it did not have sufficient time to fully review GenPGM's responses to the Panel's information requests prior to the Panel proceeding to a public hearing. Since filing the Review Request, Biigtigong Nishnaabeg has engaged further with GenPGM and Biigtigong Nishnaabeg's technical experts.

Having consulted with GenPGM, and, in particular, considering its commitment to providing a draft Fish Habitat and Compensation and Offsetting Plan by January 14th, 2022, Biigtigong Nishnaabeg anticipates being able to properly respond to GenPGM's responses prior to the start of public hearings on February 15, 2022.

As described in our joint letter of September 3rd, Biigtigong Nishnaabeg and GenPGM are working collaboratively to address our issues and concerns. We look forward to continuing our relationship with GenPGM and a productive public hearing.

With Respect,

Biigtigong Nishnaabeg First Nation

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