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SENT VIA EMAIL

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Dear Aaron Strand:

This letter is to advise that the Environmental Assessment Certificate #EA14-05 (Certificate) for the Westcoast Connector Gas Transmission Project (WCGT) is approaching the timeline by which the project must be substantially started.

The duration of the WCGT Certificate was five years from the date it was issued on November 25, 2014. A Certificate extension was issued on April 25, 2019, extending the substantial start deadline to November 25, 2024. This means that WCGT must be substantially started by November 25, 2024, or the Certificate will expire, pursuant to Section 31(6) of the *Environmental Assessment Act*, 2018 (the Act). Under the Act, a Certificate extension can only be granted once, and the maximum extension duration is five years.

More information on substantial start can be found in the <u>Substantial Start</u> <u>Determination Policy</u>.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss the above, you may contact myself at <u>Sarah.Duggan@gov.bc.ca</u>; or Kelly Wintemute, Executive Project Director, at <u>Kelly.Wintemute@gov.bc.ca</u> or 236 475-4421.

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